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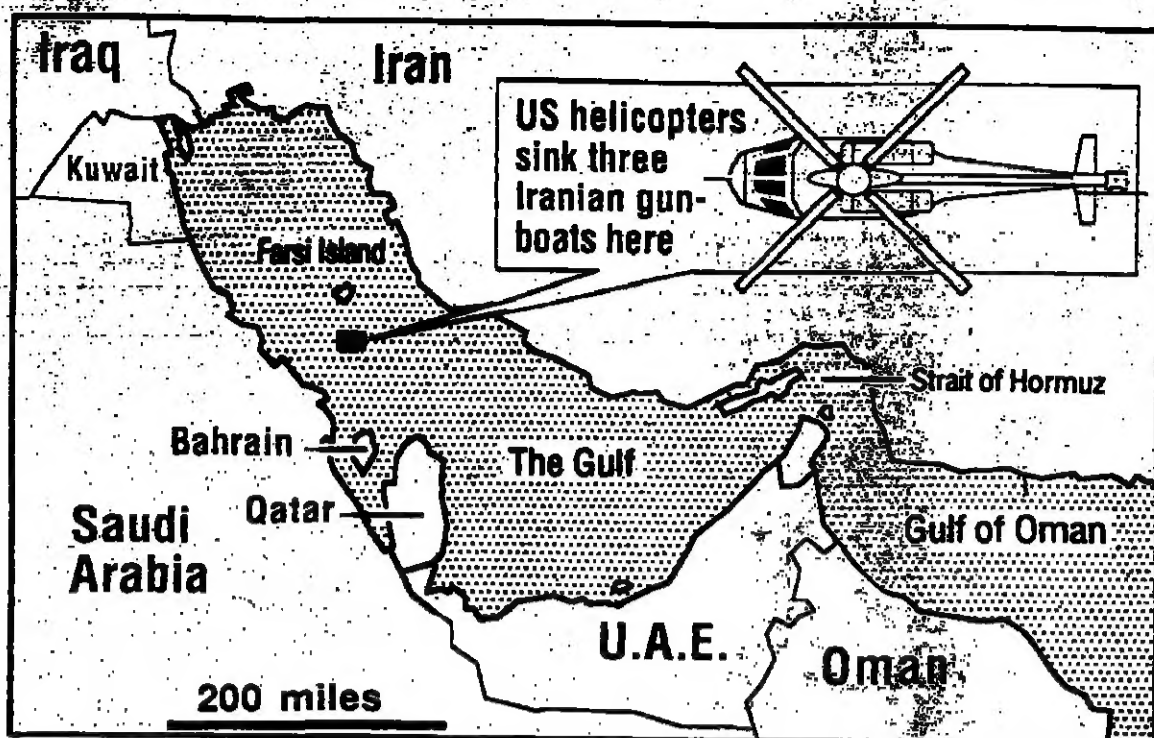
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Drawing above shows details of last week's clash between U.S. and Iranian forces.

(AFP)

## We'll hit back, U.S. warns Iran

WASHINGTON (Reuters) - The U.S., apparently facing the threat of having its own missiles turned against it in the Gulf, warned Iran that any attack would draw retaliation.

The Defence Department said on Friday that U.S. Navy boarding party had found batteries and packing cases usually used for U.S.-made Stinger surface-to-air missiles on one of two Iranian boats captured in a night-time clash on Thursday.

"The Iranians should realise that firing at a U.S. target will result in self-defence," State Department spokesman Charles Redman told reporters. The Pentagon said its helicopter gunships had responded on Thursday when a patrol helicopter was fired on by an Iranian flotilla of three speedboats and a corvette.

"Iran's Moslem combatants have obtained and successfully copied the U.S.-made Stinger missiles, the commander of Iran's revolutionary guards was quoted as saying by the Iranian news agency. However, U.S. sources speculated that the missiles reaching Iran had been originally supplied to the Afghan rebels by the U.S. (Earlier report - p3)

## Hussein blames Israel coalition's right wing for peace deadlock

AMMAN (AP) - King Hussein yesterday accused the right wing of Israel's coalition government of frustrating the drive for Arab-Israeli peace.

In a speech opening a new session of Parliament, the king also announced that Jordan's first general election since 1967 would be delayed for at least two more years. "It has become clear to all, including the Israeli people, that peace efforts may reach a dead end because of the intransigence of the right-wing partners in the Israeli government of national unity," Hussein said in a speech akin to an American president's State of the Union address.

He said that 20 years after Israel captured East Jerusalem and the West Bank from Jordan, peace had "been thwarted by the Israeli position, which rejects the principle of withdrawal from the occupied Arab territories in exchange for peace."

Hussein has made the "land for peace" trade, embodied in UN Security Council Resolution 242, a cornerstone of his campaign for a

UN-sponsored international conference on Arab-Israeli peace.

Such a conference has been conditionally accepted by the U.S. and by Israeli Foreign Minister Peres, but rejected by Prime Minister Shamir. U.S. Secretary of State George Shultz is due to meet with Hussein in London and with Israeli leaders in Jerusalem later this month to probe prospects for reviving the stalled peace efforts.

Hussein said he was postponing general elections to provide more time "for voter registration and the preparations for new elections," although preparations have been going on since last year.

After the king-revived Parliament in 1984, district elections were held to replace a handful of deputies who died - resulting in several younger deputies often critical of the government.

West Bank deputies are chosen by Parliament.

Under a 1986 law, the next elections will expand parliament to 142 members, keeping the even division

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## Man shot in head in Old City

By ANDY COURT AND JEFF BLACK For The Jerusalem Post

A 25-year-old Jewish man touring Jerusalem's Old City with his wife was shot in the head last night in what police believe was a terrorist attack.

Yigal Shahaf, reportedly from Jerusalem's Musara neighbourhood, was in critical condition in Hadassah Hospital, Ein Karem last night. He was shot at about 6 p.m. near the Seventh Station of the Cross, at the intersection of Beit Habad and the Via Dolorosa. Shahaf was married three months ago.

Police sealed off the exits to the Old City immediately after the shooting and rounded up dozens of suspects. There was blood on the dark stone street where Shahaf had fallen. Arab merchants in the area shut their shops as soon as they heard the news.

Eli Bezael of Jerusalem believes that he passed Shahaf's attackers minutes before the shooting - and that they would have shot him had he not answered a question of theirs in fluent Arabic.

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## Arab-Jewish brawl in Hebron

By JOEL GREENBERG Jerusalem Post Reporter

A brawl broke out yesterday between Jewish worshippers and Arabs in the Cave of the Patriarchs in Hebron after a Moslem funeral procession entered the area during Sabbath prayers, security sources said.

The sources said the procession entered the Cave in violation of the worship schedule at the site, which contains both a mosque and a synagogue. A soldier at the entrance to the Cave had apparently mistakenly allowed the procession to enter during the Sabbath prayer service. Jewish settlers from Hebron and Kiryat Arba, the sources said.

A brawl broke out, and a soldier was beaten in the melee by Arabs, according to the sources. Palestinian sources said the Sharabati family was attacked as it conducted a funeral service for a relative, and six of its members were hurt.

Soldiers who rushed to the scene restored order.

## Israel selling arms 'secretly to China'

LONDON (AP) - Israel is allegedly selling arms to China under a secret deal and hopes to increase the trade to offset future losses from South Africa, *Jane's Defence Weekly* reported Friday.

"There are persistent reports that Israel already has a flourishing covert arms hardware and know-how relationship with the Chinese. These reports are unconfirmed in Israel," said the British military affairs magazine.

"Some reports say this relationship is in the multi-billion dollar range, spread over two to five years. Israel now hopes to significantly increase that trade to offset future losses from South Africa." It quoted Prof. Aharon Klieman of the department of international relations at Tel Aviv University as saying he believes Israel may try to increase its arms sales potential to China although the countries have no diplomatic ties.

Klieman specializes in studies of Israel's foreign policy in relation to arms sales, said the magazine.

## Scores of arrests; several persons wounded

# Troops fire at rioters as Gaza violence continues

By JOEL GREENBERG Jerusalem Post Reporter

In the third consecutive day of violence in the Gaza Strip, several Palestinians were wounded yesterday when IDF troops fired at stone-throwing youths. The troops also used tear gas and clubs to break up continuing waves of demonstrations following last week's killing of four Palestinian gunmen in a shoot-out with security forces.

The demonstrations came after the bodies of the gunmen were buried late Friday night under tight security. Only close relatives were allowed to attend the funerals.

Palestinian sources said more than 20 persons, including a girl, were hurt in yesterday's violence, but the IDF spokesman said four persons were wounded. Commercial strikes were held in Gaza and other towns. Youths set up barricades of stones and burning tires and raised Palestinian flags. Security forces made scores of arrests and ordered several schools closed to prevent further unrest.

The worst incident occurred at the Islamic University in Gaza, where

troops opened fire on students who burned tires on streets near the campus and threw rocks at the security forces. University sources said 13 students were wounded, one seriously. An IDF spokesman said three persons suffered light injuries when an army patrol at the campus opened fire to disperse youths who hurled rocks at the soldiers.

A university spokesman said the trouble began after the students held a demonstration to protest against last week's killings of the gunmen, three of whom had been students at the college's principles of religion department. Korymbic verses were read from loudspeakers on the campus, but these were later silenced by shots fired by the troops.

A Gaza man who watched the clash from his flat said he saw troops scaling the wall surrounding the university and firing into the campus. A university spokesman said that the troops also fired from a tall building dominating the university, and that "a hail of bullets" was directed at the students. He said troops threw tear gas canisters into the university grounds.

A seriously wounded student was

taken to Tel Hashomer Hospital, and three others were taken to Shifa Hospital in Gaza, he said.

IDF troops surrounded the campus until the students left the area under an arrangement mediated through the Red Cross and the university administration, campus sources said. In an emergency meeting, the administration decided to close the university until Monday.

In Gaza's Shajia'iya neighbourhood, where the gunmen were killed last week, troops clashed with a large crowd of protesters and arrested many demonstrators. An IDF spokesman said the crowd set up stone barricades and threw rocks at troops. Palestinian eye-witnesses said the soldiers fired in the air, used tear gas and clubbed demonstrators. Protests were reported in other Gaza locations, and stone barricades were set up in Palestine and Medina squares.

A Palestinian eye-witness said there were seven wounded persons at Shifa Hospital, including an 11-year-old girl and a 30-year-old woman.

Shops were shut on Gaza's main shopping thoroughfare. Omar

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## Ida Nudel due Thursday to big welcome

Thousands of people, including cabinet ministers and leaders of the Jewish Agency, are expected to welcome Ida Nudel when she arrives Thursday night from the Soviet Union.

The 56-year-old Nudel, who had been refused an exit visa for 16 years, may arrive in the private plane of American businessman Armand Hammer on a direct flight.

A council spokesman said last night that public figures and celebrities from Europe and the U.S. who have campaigned for Nudel's freedom, including Jane Fonda, will also be on hand to greet the woman known as "the mother of the refuseniks."

## French hint of possible Nakash 'arrangement'

By MICHEL ZLOTOWSKI

PARIS - William Nakash would be able to serve his prison term in an Israeli jail, according to a French Justice Ministry spokesman, if there were a reciprocal agreement between France and Israel stipulating that citizens of the two countries serve their jail sentences in their native country if sentenced in the other country.

Such an agreement is about to be signed by France and another Mediterranean country, according to the spokesman, who declined to name the country. No similar request has been made yet by Israel.

The spokesman told this reporter that since Nakash was tried in absentia, he first has to come back

for a new trial before a French court. "But it's up to the nine members of the jury to decide whether Nakash is guilty or not, no one else can tell," said the spokesman.

While the Nakash case has set the Israeli secular and religious judicial systems on a collision course, the French authorities remain low-key over the issue. A French Foreign Ministry official told *The Jerusalem Post* that the whole affair was a "pure Israeli problem. As requested by the (French) Justice Ministry, we forwarded the request for the extradition of Nakash to the Israeli authorities and all we have to do now on our side is wait. This is exactly what we are doing," said the official.



Jackson announces his candidacy at a gathering in Raleigh, North Carolina. (Reuters)

## Jackson in the race --officially

RALEIGH, North Carolina (Reuters) - Jesse Jackson officially entered the race for the 1988 Democratic presidential nomination yesterday with a vow to crusade against "economic violence."

"Economic violence is the critical issue of our day," Jackson said as he recited a list of groups that have fallen on economic hard times.

Jackson, a black preacher who first rose to prominence in the civil rights battles of the 1960s, portrayed himself as a spokesman for the down-

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## 'Ammunition dump blown up'

## Air Force hits terror targets in Beka'a valley

By JOSHUA BRILLIANT Post Defence Reporter

TEL AVIV - Israel Air Force planes bombed the Beka'a Valley yesterday morning and, according to news agency reports from Lebanon, just missed hundreds of people attending the graduation ceremony of fighters trained there.

The attack was launched at 10:07 a.m. on targets near Yanta, east of Lake Kar'un, some four kilometres from the Syrian border, the reports said, adding that one terrorist was injured.

According to IDF sources, the targets comprised two to three structures and a small tent encampment belonging to several terrorist organizations. Arms belonging to the terrorists were also stored there, the IDF spokesman said, and agency reports indicated an ammunition dump was blown up.

The spokesman's announcement did not identify the organizations attacked yesterday but reports from Lebanon said they were George Habbash's Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine, Ahmed Jibril's Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine - General Command, and the pro-Syrian faction of Fatah headed by Col. Sa'ad Nussa (Abu Nussa).

According to a Reuters report from Beirut, four war planes took part in the attack and dropped more than 20 bombs on the targets. The IDF spokesman quoted the pilots as claiming "good hits."

According to foreign reports, the bombs fell some 500 metres from the Palestinian graduation ceremony. At that event the graduates conducted maneuvers in the presence of some 200 Palestinian, leftist and pro-Syrian officials. But while Reuters said the graduates belonged to the PFLP-GC, AFP said they were PFLP trainees.

An Israeli air attack on September 5, also launched on a Saturday morning, killed 46 people and wounded 67, according to Palestinian accounts. That attack was directed at targets in the Sidon area.

The reports from Lebanon said that yesterday's sole casualty was slightly injured by shrapnel.

AP said the enemy opened up with Soviet-made anti-aircraft guns, but none of the jets were hit. The IDF spokesman said all planes returned safely to base.

Israeli military source later denied reports from Lebanon that an IAF helicopter was downed over Ain Aita.

## Fund-raisers want Mendel Kaplan to head Board of Governors

## South African named for top Agency post

Jerusalem Post Reporter

South African industrialist and philanthropist Mendel Kaplan has been nominated to be the next chairman of the board of governors of the Jewish Agency, according to agency sources.

Kaplan has served since 1983 as the chairman of the world board of trustees of United Israel Appeal-Keren Hayesod, which raises funds for the Jewish Agency and World Zionist Organization in countries outside the U.S.

He was nominated last week by a committee of fund-raisers who serve on the agency board of governors. Kaplan's rival for the nomination was Ray Epstein of Chicago, a former president of the Council of Jewish Federations.

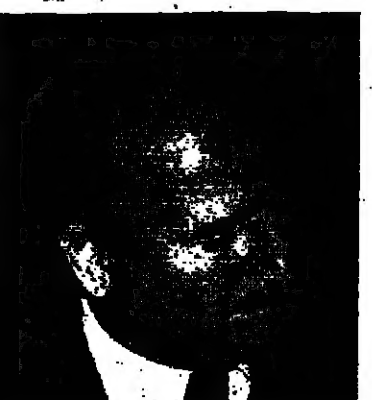
Kaplan is in line to replace Jerold

Hoffberger of Baltimore as chairman of the board of governors. Hoffberger's term expired in June, but the nomination of his successor was delayed because the fund-raisers could not agree on a candidate.

Kaplan's candidacy will now be subject to the process of "advise and consent." In this process, the leaders of the World Zionist Organization, who run the agency jointly with the fund-raisers, have the right to review and veto the candidate for chairman of the board presented by the fund-raisers.

In the same way, the fund-raisers have the right to review and veto the candidate for chairman of the agency executive presented by the WZO, who will be elected at the Zionist Congress in December.

While Labour has nominated



Mendel Kaplan. (Brian Hendler)

agency treasurer Akiva Lewinsky as its candidate for WZO/Jewish Agency chairman, the Likud has not settled on a candidate yet. In the

Liberal Party, Minister-without-Portfolio Yitzhak Moda'i reportedly has the inside track for his party's nomination.

It is not clear, however, if Herut will strongly push its own candidate for chairman now that Binyamin Netanyahu, Israel's envoy to the UN, has announced that he is not interested in the post. Some Herut leaders feel that the party should not let its junior partner take the Likud nomination for chairman.

If Lewinsky is elected chairman, then Herut has a good chance of getting the post of treasurer, the number two position in the WZO/Jewish Agency. But if a Liberal candidate is elected chairman, then the post of treasurer would likely go to Labour, and Herut would have to settle for lesser positions.

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## THE WEATHER

	Yesterday's	Yesterday's	Today's
	Humidity	Min-Max	Max
Jerusalem	54	11-27	27
Golan	54	11-27	27
Nahariya	58	22-28	28
Safed	58	22-28	28
Haifa Port	62	20-30	30
Tiberias	26	17-33	32
Nazareth	39	18-30	30
Afula	50	15-31	30
Shomron	52	16-30	30
Tel Aviv	62	19-29	29
B-C Airport	55	18-28	28
Jericho	33	17-32	32
Gaza	69	22-27	27
Beersheba	51	16-29	29
Eilat	27	21-34	34

## SOCIAL & PERSONAL

**Galia Gol, daughter of Ehud, the spokesman for the Foreign Ministry, and Sharon of the United Jewish Appeal, celebrated her bat mitzva on Shabbat in a family ceremony.**

## Shamir, Peres lead hundreds at Sasson funeral

**Jerusalem Post Reporter**  
Hundreds of people, led by Prime Minister Shamir and Foreign Minister Peres, on Friday attended the funeral in Jerusalem of Reuven Sasson, the 29-year-old son of Israel's ambassador to Egypt, Moshe Sasson.

Reuven Sasson was killed on Wednesday in an accident on the Arava road, some 30 kilometers north of Eilat. A girlfriend who was sitting next to him was injured. Sasson only last year fully recovered from a serious car accident in which he was involved in California some years ago.

Those attending the funeral included Finance Minister Moshe Nisim, Minister-without-Portfolio Ezer Weizman, Egyptian Ambassador Mohammed Bassiouny, Supreme Court Justice Gabriel Bach, Foreign Ministry Director-General Avraham Tamir and his predecessor David Kimche, cabinet secretary Elyakim Rubinstein, senior government officials and Moshe Sasson's brother-in-law Rafi Levy.

The father recited Kaddish.

**Three killed on roads**  
**BEERSHEBA (Itim).** — Three men were killed and a young woman was seriously injured in an accident Friday on the Sdom-Dimona highway. The names of the deceased, including two tourists from Italy, have not yet been released.

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## HOME AND FOREIGN NEWS

# State Department against closure of PLO's NY office

**By WOLF BLITZER**  
**Jerusalem Post Correspondent**  
WASHINGTON. — The State Department says that a congressional attempt to force the closure of the PLO's office in New York would represent a violation of long-standing U.S. commitments as "host country" to the United Nations.

"Our position on the PLO's observer mission at the UN is unchanged," said State Department spokesman Charles Redman on Friday. "Closing that mission would not be consistent with our international legal obligations under the UN Headquarters Agreement."

Last Thursday, the Senate passed an amendment to the State Department authorization bill that would shut down the New York office. The motion was introduced by Republican Senator Charles Grassley of Iowa. A similar amendment, sponsored by Republican Jack Kemp of New York, is pending in the House of Representatives.

Last month, in the face of strong congressional pressure, the Reagan

# Long blackout looms for radio, television

**By GREER FAY CASHMAN**  
**Jerusalem Post Reporter**  
With both the Treasury and the Broadcasting Authority strikers digging in their heels, it appears that the radio and television blackout may continue for more than just a few days.

The Treasury says that it will not negotiate with representatives of the National Association of Journalists as long as the strike is in progress, and the strikers say that they will not return to work without a signed agreement assuring them of wages commensurate with those of their peers in the print media.

Army Radio has been telling listeners that there are no news broadcasts due to the strike by IBA employees. But its own news flashes

# Tension high over zealots' visit today to Temple Mt.

**By JOEL GREENBERG**  
**Jerusalem Post Reporter**  
Members of the ultra-nationalist Temple Mount Faithful are to enter the Temple Mount area this morning under heavy police guard in the face of rising Moslem tensions over the visit.

Police denied claims by the group that it would hold prayers at the site, and said that, under an agreement, the group would enter the area from the Mughrabi Gate, with police supervising the number of people allowed in. The denial was communicated to the Supreme Moslem Council, which administers the mosques and Islamic religious institutions on the Temple Mount.

Gershon Solomon, who heads the Temple Mount Faithful, said that the group would enter at 9 a.m., and that it had invited the public to attend what he hoped would be a mass

# Gulf-bound U.S. ships in Haifa for repairs

**By YA'ACOV FRIEDLER**  
**Jerusalem Post Reporter**  
HAIFA. — Three American minesweepers and a salvage and rescue ship en route to the Persian Gulf arrived here on Friday afternoon for light repairs.

They are the minesweepers USS Fearless, Illusive and Inflict, and the salvage vessel USS Grapple.

Built over 30 years ago, the minesweepers have wooden hulls and are fitted with non-magnetic engines and equipment, made of stainless steel alloy, to give them greater protection from magnetic mines. They were ordered to the Gulf from the U.S. following the mining of one of the ships escorted by the U.S. Navy last month.

The office of the U.S. naval attaché in Tel Aviv would say only that they needed light repairs which the crews would carry out themselves during their stay. They are expected to leave either tonight or tomorrow morning.

Last month, two Sixth Fleet combat ships underwent repairs and maintenance work in the Israel Shipyard here.

# Lahad may punish men for killing UN soldier

**By DAVID RUDGE**  
**Jerusalem Post Reporter**  
ROSH HANIKRA. — South Lebanese Army commander Gen. Antoine Lahad is considering taking disciplinary action against troops who fired at a Red Cross ambulance, killing a Nepalese Unifil soldier, SLA sources reported yesterday.

Meanwhile, the IDF has pledged to do everything in its power to prevent any similar occurrences in future.

The promise was made by OC Northern Command Aluf Yossi Peled to Unifil commander Maj. Gen. Gustav Hagglund when the two met at Northern Command headquarters on Friday.

In a meeting described as cordial, Peled submitted findings of an investigation by the IDF's Lebanese liaison unit into the shooting.

The incident occurred last Sunday near the South Lebanese village of Yaatar, north of the perimeter of the security zone.

Unifil sources said at the time that a SLA tank



Rabbi Arie Alter, nephew of the Gerrer Rebbe and an acclaimed scholar, was buried Friday on the Mount of Olives. Thousands of ultra-Orthodox mourners attended the funeral. Alter had been in a coma after being hit by a bus two weeks ago in Jerusalem's Romema neighbourhood. Although only 27, he was the head of five post-yeshiva academies and a sought-after lecturer. His father, Rabbi Pinchas Menachem Alter, is chairman of Agudat Yisrael in Israel and a member of the movement's Council of Tora Sages.

# Slowdown in Israeli ports as stevedores work to rule

**By YA'ACOV FRIEDLER**  
**Jerusalem Post Reporter**  
HAIFA. — Operations at the country's three ports went into low gear last week as 1,500 stevedores began to work to rule to press wage demands, and reduced port activity by two-thirds.

The sailing of some vessels, including a citrus fruit ship, was delayed over the weekend as a result of the industrial action; the Chamber of Shipping on Friday warned of delays and losses to shipowners, exporters and importers if the action continued.

On Friday the Ports Authority appealed to the Tel Aviv Labour Court to order the men to resume a normal work schedule.

The men are demanding pay rises over and above those granted to the

# France ends its 'punishment' of Syria for wave of terrorism

**By MICHEL ZLOTOWSKI**  
**Jerusalem Post Correspondent**  
PARIS. — France has reestablished diplomatic contact with Syria on the highest level with the current visit to Damascus of Foreign Minister Jean Bernard Raimond.

Putting an official end to Syria's "punishment" for its involvement in the wave of terrorism that hit European countries last year, the French

# Gala opening of Haifa int'l film festival

**By YA'ACOV FRIEDLER**  
**Jerusalem Post Reporter**  
HAIFA. — Foreign and local film stars and directors attended the gala opening of the fourth Haifa International Film Festival in the city auditorium on Mt. Carmel last night.

The four-day event opened with the premiere of the Israeli film, *Hemmo, King of Jerusalem*, based on the novel about the War of Independence by Yoram Kaniuk.

The foreign guests included Swiss actress Lillian Mezier, star of *Playing in my Heart*, and her compatriot Danny Levy, star of *Du Miché Auch*. The visiting directors included

# No bed for Shultz at King David

**By GREER FAY CASHMAN**  
**Jerusalem Post Reporter**  
It is customary for royalty, heads of state, top ranking politicians and diplomats who visit Jerusalem to stay at the King David Hotel. That was where U.S. Secretary of State George Shultz thought he would be accommodated after it was announced last week in Washington that, during his upcoming visit here, he would be staying in Jerusalem and not at the Herzliya residence of U.S. Ambassador Thomas Pickering.

But neither Washington nor Jerusalem took into account the fact that

# Kollek testifies in Rafi Levy's defence

**By ANDY COURT**  
**For The Jerusalem Post**  
Jerusalem Mayor Teddy Kollek on Friday appeared as a defence witness in the trial of Rafi Levy, the Interior Ministry's former Jerusalem district representative, and said that he had felt "a little guilty" after the 1978 murder of West Bank businessman Abdul-Nur Khalil Janho.

Levy is charged with extortion, accepting bribes, breach of trust and foreign currency violations.

Kollek said that shortly before the murder he had arranged a meeting between Janho and journalists from the *New York Times*, who quoted Janho's relatively pro-Israeli views. Though Janho may have been killed because of some personal or business matter, Kollek said, it's probable that he was murdered for publicly expressing his political views.

"I felt a little guilty because I proposed that connection [with the journalists]," Kollek said.

Kollek's testimony supported Levy by pointing out that Levy's efforts to speed up the approval of a zoning plan for North Jerusalem were in keeping with the municipality's interests.

Levy is accused of exerting unfair

# Anglo-Jewish financier charged in Guinness theft

**By DAVID HOROVITZ**  
**Jerusalem Post Correspondent**  
LONDON. — Top Anglo-Jewish financier Sir Jack Lyons was remanded on bail of £500,000 Friday and ordered to surrender his passport, after being charged with the theft of £3.25 million from the Guinness brewing giant.

The millionaire businessman, impulsive and immaculate in a blue city suit — complete with jaunty white handkerchief poking out of his breast pocket — was charged in his real name Isadore Lyons with nine offences related to last year's Guinness shares scandal.

He was ordered to reappear at Bow Street Magistrates' Court on November 3, the same day as former Guinness chairman Ernest Saunders, who is facing three charges involving destruction of documents and attempting to pervert the course of justice.

Lyons, 71, who became em-

# Betar Jerusalem star back in police custody

**By ANDY COURT**  
**and JEFF BLACK**  
**For The Jerusalem Post**  
Controversial soccer star Shlomo Shirazi is once again in custody after police searched his home Friday and found an IDF grenade and a number of syringes.

Police officials say Betar Jerusalem's defender will probably appear before a Jerusalem Magistrates' Court judge today or tomorrow to have his remand extended.

Two years ago Shirazi was arrested for belonging to a band of armed robbers known as the "Netanya Gang." One of the members of this group allegedly planned to get Shirazi to smuggle a kilo of heroin in a soccer ball from West Germany.

With the help of Shirazi, who became a state witness and thus avoided prosecution, the members of the "Netanya Gang" were convicted of

# Israel-EC trade to be on Cheysson's agenda

**By YOSHI LEMPOWITZ**  
**Jerusalem Post Correspondent**  
BRUSSELS. — Bilateral trade relations between Israel and the European Community, the question of independent Palestinian farm exports to the EC and the prospects of an international conference on Middle East peace are likely to be the main subjects on the agenda of the talks Claude Cheysson will have during his two-day visit to Israel, EC sources said Friday.

The European commissioner in charge of Mediterranean policy, who arrived in Tel Aviv yesterday, is to meet with Prime Minister Shamir, Foreign Minister Peres and members of the Knesset Foreign Affairs and Defence committee.

**ROYAL VISIT.** — Queen Elizabeth II of England arrived in Victoria, Canada on Friday for a 15-day official visit.

# U.S. warns against coup attempts in Philippines

**WASHINGTON (Reuters).** — The Reagan administration, backed by prominent senators, warned on Thursday that all U.S. aid to the Philippines would be cut off if there was a successful coup against President Corason Aquino.

Gaston Sigur, an assistant secretary of state, told the Senate Foreign East Asia Subcommittee that some elements in the Philippines which may be planning a coup do not believe the U.S. will cut off aid if Aquino is overthrown.

"That is simply not true. As a matter of fact, the U.S. has no choice in the matter. It is the law and we will follow the law," Sigur said. Under U.S. law, all aid to the Philippines would be severed if Aquino's popularly elected government is forcibly overthrown and he is deposed.



# Iran warns U.S. of 'all-out war'

## Washington ready to 'teach lessons' to Teheran regime

MANAMA, Bahrain (AP)—Iran has lashed out at the United States for the helicopter attack on speedboats in the gulf, raising the spectre of retaliation for what one official called an American "declaration of war."

In Washington, U.S. State Department spokesman Charles Redman said Friday that plans are being made to return the survivors of the Thursday night attack and the bodies of the dead to Iran. He said the U.S. plans to work through the International Red Cross.

U.S. officials said six Iranians were rescued. Two of them later died and the others were receiving medical treatment, the officials said.

Lt. Col. John Head, a U.S. military spokesman in Bahrain, said the wounded Iranians were on the navy landing ship Raleigh.

Teheran Radio said that Iranian Foreign Minister Ali Akbar Velayati sent a message to Javier Perez de Cuellar, the U.N. secretary-general, saying "responsibility for the start of an all-out war and the very dangerous consequences of the violation of international laws in the region rests on the shoulders of the U.S."

At the United Nations, Iranian Ambassador Said Rajae-Khorassani told reporters: "We think we are at war. We think we are being killed by the Americans. I think it is a declaration of war by the United States against Iran. That's definite."

Rajae-Khorassani said Iran would respond "at the proper time."

U.S. military sources in the gulf and in Washington said the helicopters that fired on the three Iranian speedboats were silent-flying air-

craft operating from an offshore barge.

Meanwhile, Defence Secretary Casper Weinberger said the U.S. was ready to "teach lessons" to the Iranians whenever they jeopardize international shipping in the gulf, where Iran and Iraq have been at war since September 1980.

The U.S. said the choppers struck only after being fired on from the boats near Farsi island in the northern gulf. Iran uses Farsi as a speedboat base from which to attack shipping.

Weinberger said an Iranian navy corvette was with the speedboats but escaped "very rapidly" when the attack began.

Reports from Iran on Friday claimed a helicopter was shot down and an American warship damaged during what it described as a 20-minute battle Thursday night. But Lt. Cmdr. Chris Bauman of the Pentagon said: "We have no warships damaged and we have no helicopters missing."

U.S. military sources in the gulf and in Washington indicated the army MH-6 helicopters involved in Thursday's action operated from a specially built barge near the northern gulf coast.

Helicopters are known to operate from a navy barge off Bahrain, in the central region, and a second has been reported in preparation off Kuwait, at the gulf's northern end, about 140 miles from Farsi. U.S. officials in the gulf have refused to discuss the barges, which are used in lieu of land bases that gulf Arab states, fearful of Iran's reaction, are reluctant to provide.



File picture of a U.S. soldier with a Stinger missile. The Americans are investigating how equipment "believed to be associated with the Stinger system" came to be on two Iranian boats captured last week.

The small, silent army helicopters equipped with infra-red night vision devices also were used in the attack on the Iran Ajr, a 1,665-ton landing craft caught laying mines Sept. 21 in the central gulf about 120 miles south of the Thursday encounter. Pentagon spokesmen in Washington initially said all three boats attacked Thursday night were sunk, but Weinberger said two were sighted dead in the water at daylight.

He described the Iranian boats as capable of carrying machineguns "and sometimes Stinger equipment." The Stinger is the U.S. army's most advanced portable anti-aircraft missile and has never been sold to Iran. It could not be determined immediately whether Weinberger referred to the U.S.-made Stinger or to a similar weapon made

by another country. Iran claimed a helicopter was downed during the attack with an "Iranian Stinger missile." The People's Mujahadeen, an Iranian opposition group, said in Washington that Iran is planning to launch small remote-controlled submarines laden with explosives against American ships. It claimed the 18-foot-long fiberglass craft were being assembled by Revolutionary Guards at Kolehkhuz, about 40 miles west of Tehran.

Dispatches from Iran on Friday said the Iranian speedboats were on a routine patrol and declared that a military official, unnamed, "totally rejected a U.S. claim that the Iranian boats had fired first at the American helicopters and said it was just the opposite."

## Gorbachev says 'Star Wars' is the main obstacle

MOSCOW (AFP)—A U.S.-Soviet agreement on strategic weapons can be reached with the Reagan administration, Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev has said, but cautioned that U.S. plans for a space-based anti-missile shield were the "main obstacle" to an accord.

In a meeting Friday with international trade union representatives reported in yesterday's edition of the party daily Pravda, the Soviet leader also hinted that Britain and France would have to negotiate reductions in their nuclear arsenals.

Strategic offensive arms reduction "applies in the first stage to us and the Americans, but later other nuclear powers will not be able to avoid it either," Gorbachev said.

Moscow has agreed to leave British and French nuclear systems out of the current Geneva arms negotiations.

Calling for Moscow and Washington to "meet each other halfway," Gorbachev noted that the strategic arms negotiations had bogged down over the U.S. decision not to abide by the traditional interpretation of the 1972 anti-ballistic missile treaty.

"Our stand is simple: let us observe this treaty as this was done until 1983, when neither we nor the Americans had any doubts about its interpretation. When SDI emerged and along with it attempts to use a technological breakthrough to get an edge on the Soviet Union through space, then this main obstacle appeared," said Gorbachev. "We are against an arms race in space. If such a race started, the entire process of talks would be undermined."

Stressing that the Soviet Union was "not interested in getting superiority" over the U.S., Gorbachev warned that if pressed into an arms race in space, "we have a reply to SDI."

Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze last month made new proposals at talks in Washington with his U.S. counterpart George Shultz which would permit certain objects to be sent into space to test the SDI programme. Until then, Moscow had insisted that tests must be carried out in laboratories on earth. The U.S. administration is reportedly split on whether to accept the proposals which some U.S. officials believe would strangle SDI.

## Penny-pinching at State Department

WASHINGTON (Reuters).—Cost-cutting will silence the United States on matters of international importance on Sundays, holidays and overnight, the State Department has announced.

Spokesman Charles Redman told reporters that from Tuesday the State Department will no longer assign a duty spokesman for all after-office times. The cutbacks are "both in terms of personnel and money; every penny counts," he said.

He added that "in case of a crisis situation we'll take the necessary steps to make sure there's somebody available."

Secretary of State George Shultz frequently complains about cuts in the U.S. foreign aid budget made by Congress, warning they have created a crisis in American foreign policy.

## India suspends trade with Fiji

NEW DELHI, India (AP).—India announced yesterday that it was suspending trade and technical cooperation with Fiji to protest against the seizure of power by Fiji's military.

Almost half of Fiji's citizens are of Indian ancestry, and two coups staged over the past five months concerned disputes over how much power the Indians would have compared to the native population.

## Tamils blamed for 130 deaths in week of Sri Lanka violence

COLOMBO (AFP)—A powerful bomb rocked the Colombo port area Friday, killing at least three dock workers, as Indian peacekeeping troops launched military operations against Tamil militants in northern Sri Lanka.

Tamil sources here said that the top Tamil separatist leader and his main military commander had been

Tamil militants have been blamed for the killing of at least 130 people, mostly Sinhalese, since Tuesday. President Junius Jayewardene dropped plans Thursday to attend the Commonwealth heads of government meeting in Vancouver, Canada, because of the troubled situation on the island. It was not immediately clear when the two leaders were arrested, but the government imposed a 12-hour curfew in the Jaffna peninsula late Thursday without giving any reason.

A spokesman contacted by phone from New Delhi at the LTTE's office in Madras, Southern India, said the group had no information about the arrests. He added that most of those arrested in the north belonged to the LTTE.

A Sri Lankan military source said Indian troops fired mortars and small arms at at least three camps of minor Tamil groups in the northern Vavuniya, Mannar and Kilinochchi districts around dawn Friday. Some 8,000 Indian troops have been sent to Sri Lanka since the two nations signed a peace accord aimed at ending four years of ethnic violence on July 29. According to unofficial estimates, about 15,000 Indian soldiers and paramilitary forces are on the island. Indian military sources here have said they are under orders to shoot on sight any unauthorized persons carrying weapons.

arrested by Indian soldiers during an operation in the northern Jaffna peninsula.

Velupillai Prabhakaran, the leader of the dominant Tamil militant group, the Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam (LTTE), and a lieutenant, Mahattayasiri, had been arrested in connection with a fresh outbreak of separatist violence in this island nation, the sources said.



President Reagan meets with the President of Zambia, Kenneth Kaunda, in the Oval Office at the White House. (AFP)

## Poles to unveil plan for major economic reforms

WARSAW (AP).—The Communist Party Central Committee has given its approval to a series of radical economic reforms, but called for an unprecedented referendum to obtain a popular mandate for the changes expected to bring stiff price hikes.

The government's exact blueprint for reform is to be made public this weekend in a presentation to the Sejm, parliament, after six months of public discussion.

The Central Committee was called into a special plenum last week to endorse the plan, which officials confirmed would result in slashing half of government ministries.

Picking up on an idea suggested by Polish leader Gen. Wojciech Jaruzelski in a newspaper interview this summer, the committee's final resolution also urged a binding referendum to determine the "degree and pace" of the reforms.

Price hikes have repeatedly triggered popular unrest in modern Polish history, and officials are reluctant to impose them again without popular backing.

"If we don't ask society (and) se-

sure it's approval, what happens if our 'from-above' decisions set in motion a radical reform, complete with price rises? Unfortunately I have no answer to this question," Central Committee member Bogdan Kolomyjski said during the plenum, according to the official news agency PAP.

Party spokesman Jerzy Majka told reporters Thursday evening that a final decision on the referendum would have to be made by the Sejm.

It also would set the date for the referendum, which he said would be open to all eligible voters.

Majka said he did not expect the emergence of any organized opposition to the reform before the vot-

## South African police hold 14 guerrillas, seize weapons

JOHANNESBURG (Reuters).—South African police announced yesterday the arrests of 16 more black members of the outlawed African National Congress (ANC) in a further breakthrough against the underground guerrilla group.

Police said weapons and ammunition in large quantities were also seized in their latest strike against the ANC, fighting for black majority rule in white-ruled South Africa.

Fourteen ANC guerrillas and two others described by police as helpers were captured during the past three weeks in three black townships in the Johannesburg-Pretoria area, including Soweto, the country's largest black settlement.

Some of them were trained in Angola, police said.

Action on guerrilla activities in Cape Province resulted in the arrests of 11 alleged ANC members including a military commander and 30-year-old white woman, authorities announced last Tuesday.

Police said the 11 were involved in 14 acts of sabotage in the province since July 1986. The white woman arrested was Jennifer Schreiner, a sociology graduate at the University of Cape Town.

She was described in local newspapers this week as a member of one of South Africa's most distinguished academic families, daughter of the

vice-principal of Natal University, Denis Schreiner.

The government blames the ANC for a series of bomb explosions in major South African cities since a state of emergency was imposed 16 months ago because of violence by blacks against apartheid racial segregation.

So far this year, 37 ANC guerrillas had been killed and a large number arrested, police said.

Reuters reports from Lisbon that South African Foreign Minister P. W. Botha arrived there yesterday for talks with Portuguese Foreign Minister Joao de Deus Pinheiro on reactivating and protecting the huge Cabora Bassa Dam in Mozambique.

The hydroelectric plant on the Zambezi River, built by Portugal in the 1970s to supply electricity mainly to South Africa, has been attacked from time to time by Mozambican rebels since 1981.

Botha arrived from Paris, where he had two days of talks with French officials on the situation in Southern Africa and prospects for independence for South African-controlled Namibia (South-West Africa). The French government came under severe criticism in the country for upholding officials to meet with Botha.

Portugal is a major shareholder in the Cabora Bassa Dam.

Michel Zlotowski adds from Paris:

The "private" visit of Botha to Paris and his meeting with Foreign Minister Jean Bernard Raimond has been described as a "mistake" by the former Socialist prime minister, Laurent Fabius.

Premier Jacques Chirac's spokesman, Denis Baudouin, said that although the relations between Paris and Pretoria had gone through ups and downs, normal diplomatic links existed between both capitals. "This meeting doesn't change at all our formal condemnation of apartheid," added the spokesman.

"Why all the fuss?" said Mr. Baudouin.

South Africa has become a touchy issue between the Chirac government and President Mitterrand. Last month, a French teacher, who was detained in the Ciskei hometown after being caught gunrunning for the outlawed ANC, was freed in an exchange of prisoners involving South Africa, Angola and Mozambique.

Chirac's secret negotiations on the freeing of the teacher were reportedly carried out without the knowledge of President Mitterrand.

Chirac is obviously seeking to upgrade France's relations with South Africa, according to some observers.

## Popularity of Le Pen at new low

PARIS (JTA).—The popularity of right wing leader Jean-Marie Le Pen has dropped to an all time low, apparently as a result of his publicly expressed doubts as to the existence of the Nazi gas chambers and his reference to the Holocaust as "a detail" in the history of World War II.

In a poll published last week by Le Figaro magazine, Le Pen's popularity rating dropped from 17 per cent to 10 per cent.

Le Pen himself shrugged off the results, saying he doubted their methods and their objectivity. In an interview with Le Quotidien he said: "On the contrary I feel that public opinion supports me. During the last two weeks only three people resigned from the National Front (the party headed by Le Pen) while several dozen people have joined."

French Prime Minister Jacques Chirac last week energetically condemned Le Pen's statement saying it was "horrible to listen to such things" and called on French schools to step up their teaching of World War II history and the Holocaust.

It was the first public condemnation by Chirac of Le Pen's statement and seems to indicate that he has given up all plans for an electoral alliance with the extreme right wing during next spring's presidential elections.

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Want to guarantee the 'presumption of innocence'

# French UN source: No move to deny war crimes research

By WALTER RUBY  
Jerusalem Post Correspondent  
UNITED NATIONS.— An informed source at the French mission to the United Nations has denied charges that France has taken moves to deny scholars who are given access to the UN War Crimes Archives the right to publish their findings.

But in an interview with the *The Jerusalem Post*, the source admitted that France is insisting "on modalities to guarantee the presumption of innocence" of persons among the 40,000 people whose names are listed in the war crimes files. The source said: "We have no objection to the principle of wider access to the files than presently exists, but we are opposed to public access."

The source was critical of what he called the "polemics" of Jewish groups which, at the apparent urging of Israeli Ambassador Binyamin Netanyahu, have bombarded the French mission here with telephone calls, letters, and telegrams demanding that France change its position. According to the source, who has met with several Jewish groups in the last several days, "I am a little surprised at this campaign. We are not trying to obstruct anything or prevent wider access to the files. But it is difficult to rationally discuss an issue with people who are reacting in a highly emotional manner."

Netanyahu went public recently

with the charge that during consultations September 22-23 between UN Secretary General Javier Perez de Cuellar and the 17 countries which were members of the now defunct War Crimes Commission, "one country" recommended that new rules specify that researchers be required to sign affidavits that they would not publish, or otherwise make public, material found in the files in the UN War Crimes Archives. Informed sources said that the country was France, and a spokesman for Perez de Cuellar confirmed that "one country is presenting a major stumbling block."

A follow-up meeting between Perez de Cuellar and representatives of the 17 nations will be held on October 14. Israeli sources have expressed the hope that Perez de Cuellar will soon afterwards announce new ground-rules for expanded access to the archives. At present, the files in the archives can only be viewed at the specific request of member nations of the UN and are closed to individuals and non-governmental organizations.

According to the French source, "France was only one of a number of countries that had objections to the guidelines the secretariat proposed, which did not have provisions for protecting confidentiality."

The source explained, "France never insisted that researchers sign statements that they would keep the

material they research confidential. We only had some questions as to who would qualify as a legitimate scholarly researcher. Would category include journalists? Would researchers be allowed to make photocopies? Greater access to this material could lead to libel suits that might conceivably involve the UN. At the moment the answers to these and other concerns have not been provided by the secretariat."

The source was asked whether it was not disingenuous to speak about protecting the presumed innocence of some of the 8,000 persons who are listed as "suspects" on the files (there are said to be prima facie cases against an additional 25,000 of the 40,000 names on the files), when, in fact, the full list of all 40,000 names is already available to the public at the U.S. Army Archives in Maryland.

The source said he was concerned that "blackmail could occur" if there were unlimited access to the files. Expressing concern that "the opening of these files could set a precedent" injurious to the rights of persons suspected of crimes, he added: "Of course, we understand that there is a distinction between these crimes and other crimes. But where do you draw the line? There is an issue of trying to protect the human rights of any individual, no matter how horrible the crimes of which he has been accused."

# Shamir to Zionist Christians: Israel will not be pushed

By HAIM SHAPIRO  
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Israel "will not be intimidated and will not be pushed" in the struggle for peace, Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir told a group of Christian supporters of Israel late last week.

Speaking at the opening of the International Christian Embassy's annual Feast of Tabernacles celebration, the prime minister told some 3,000 enthusiastic admirers from an estimated 70 countries that Israel knows the blessings of peace and the horrors of war. But, he added, referring obliquely to efforts to organize an international peace conference, that 40 years after the state's establishment, "our neighbors

and some others are still trying to evade direct negotiations.

The participants broke into prolonged applause when Shamir, noting that this was one of the first events to take place during the 40th anniversary of the founding of the state, invited Israel's friends to see what the nation has accomplished throughout the country, "including in Judea and Samaria."

Among the participants at last week's event was former Prisoner of Zion Victor Brailovsky, who lit a candle on behalf of Soviet Jewry. Organizers of the Feast of Tabernacles celebration said that they expect some 6,000 Christians to take part in the week's events, including a march through the streets of Jerusalem.

# Live telecast today from 'dynamic' TA to France

By GREER FAY CASHMAN  
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Only a couple of months ago, live broadcasts from Israel to other parts of the globe were very much a novelty. Then Gali Zahal had a live broadcast to Israeli expatriates in the U.S.: Israel Television had a nation-to-nation dialogue between Israeli and German youth; Israel Radio got in on the act with a live broadcast to Jewish communities in Latin America; and Jerusalem Capital Studios had a live transmission to a Los Angeles Jewish cable station. Today, France's Channel Five will feature a live telecast from Tel Aviv.

The French SFP production company, working with a Jerusalem Capital Studios camera crew, aims to show French audiences that Tel Aviv is a young and dynamic city. The location is the beach promenade with its Mediterranean backdrop and its numerous coffee shops, restaurants and ice cream parlours, all of which are heavily patronized.

In case Tel Aviv alone doesn't turn the viewers on, the producers have lined up star-quality entertainment with singer Enrico Macias. A concerted effort is also being made to get Foreign Minister Peres on to the programme.

# Da Vinci manuscripts to see the light of day

FLORENCE (Reuters). — Manuscripts by Leonardo da Vinci that are locked in the vaults of the Bank of France are about to see the light of day for the first time in a century — in facsimile form.

At almost \$10,000 for the 12-volume set, the work hardly falls in the paperback price range. But the publishers and sponsors say it will be invaluable to an understanding of the 15th-century Florentine artist and scientist and the thirst for first-hand knowledge which inspired him.

The manuscripts, many of them pocket notebooks, contain drawings and "mirror script" — Leonardo wrote backwards — on flying machines, anatomy, the planets, the human eye, military engineering and a wealth of other interests including recipes.

A spokesman for the Italian publishers, Giunti Editore, said each manuscript was taken under armed police guard to a photographic studio where a French custodian turned each page as it was photographed.

"We were not allowed to touch the codices (manuscripts)," the spokesman said.

"The new edition ... has come to fill the last large gap in the body of Leonardo's work able to meet the demands of modern scholarship," Luigi Firpo, the president of Italy's National Vatican Commission, said.

The edition was prepared under the joint auspices of the commission and the Institut de France.

The first facsimile of the manuscripts, known as the French codices, was presented recently at the Florence International Antiques Fair by Giunti which plans to issue all 12 by 1989 in a limited edition of 998 sets.

The French codices were moved to Paris from Milan by Napoleon in 1796. They officially became French property in 1815 and are kept by the Institut de France in the vaults of the French central bank.

The only complete facsimile edition, with a French translation, had been produced by a French scholar, Charles Ravaisson-Mollien, between 1881 and 1891 when photography was in its infancy.

"Until now, these manuscripts were known only in their French translation," said Professor Augusto Marinoni, who transcribed them and wrote a critical Italian accompaniment for the new edition. An English translation is also being provided.

He said at the presentation of the first facsimile that Leonardo, famed for his portrait of the Mona Lisa and the monumental painting, *The Last Supper*, was little known for his written works because they were so inaccessible.

"The French edition is practically impossible to find and scholars have had to turn instead to incomplete anthologies for their research. I believe this new edition will help us to recreate the history of Leonardo's thought," Marinoni said.

He said the 19th-century edition contained several errors, prompted by a misunderstanding of Leonardo's difficult Italian.

Marinoni cited one case in which Ravaisson-Mollien translated Leonardo as saying the Milanese put their meat inside bread when what he meant was that they hid meat bought on the black market in their handkerchiefs.

"He had Leonardo down as the man who invented the sandwich," Marinoni said.

In all, 21 of an estimated 40 Leonardo codices containing thousands of closely-written pages survive and the French codices are still in the sequence and format in which the author compiled them.

The remainder, in collections in Britain, Italy, Spain and the United States, are mostly rearrangements by a 16th-century sculptor, Pompeo Leoni, who used scissors and paste to take apart manuscripts and insert them in large albums.

Giunti and Marinoni first approached the Institut de France in 1969 for permission to reproduce and transcribe the codices but were turned down on the grounds that Ravaisson-Mollien's edition was sufficient, according to Marinoni.

He said intervention by then-Italian president Sandro Pertini in the late 1970s with Valery Giscard d'Estaing, the French president of the day, won the go-ahead for the project.

# Lawyer named to chair Cable TV Council

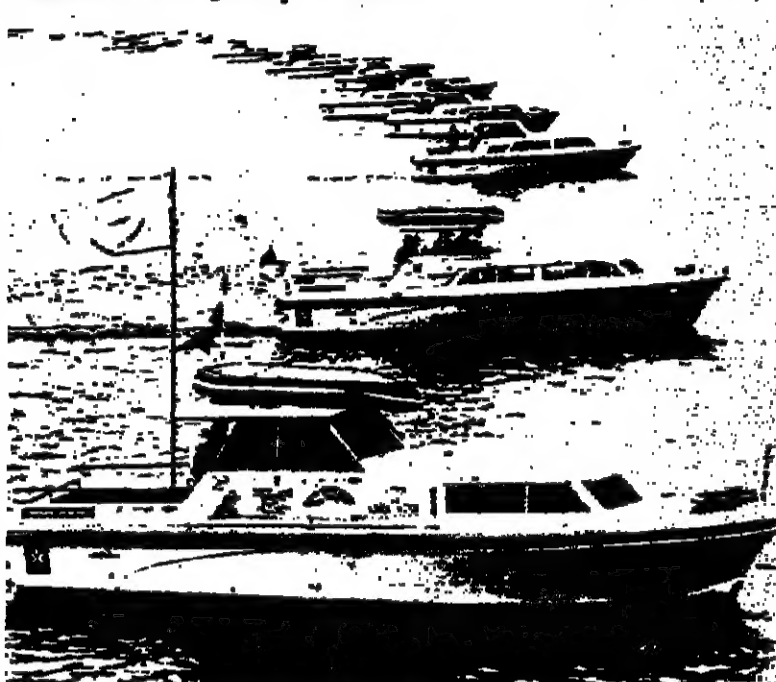
David Erlich, a 43-year-old lawyer at Hevrat Ha'Ovedim, the Histradut's holding company, has been designated chairman of the Cable TV Council, replacing Avraham Poraz.

The nomination, which has to be approved by the cabinet, was made by Communications Minister Gad Ya'acobi.

# Pics of the week



Chuck Berry, one of rock & roll's founding fathers, does his famous duck walk past his star on Hollywood's Walk of Fame on Thursday night. Berry is best known for his hits 'Roll over Beethoven' and 'Johnny B. Goode.' (AFP telephoto)



Twenty-four sonar equipped boats line up on Scotland's Loch Ness before launching a coordinated search for elusive 'Nessie,' the celebrated Loch Ness Monster. The search, dubbed Operation Deep-Scan, began on Friday morning, so far without results. (AFP telephoto)



A masked Brazilian demonstrator protests in Goiania against nuclear waste on Friday. The demonstration followed the Cesium-137 contamination of numerous people in the town after a scavenger found the lead-encased material in the ruins of a partly demolished hospital. (AFP telephoto)

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Series E: Wednesday, 21.10.87  
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**SUBSCRIPTION CONCERT No. 1**  
ZUBIN MEHTA conductor  
ROSALIND FLOWRIGHT soprano

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Series E

TEL AVIV, Mann Auditorium, 9 p.m.  
**Festive Concert — 30th Anniversary of the Frederic R. Mann Auditorium**  
Sunday, 18.10.87  
ZUBIN MEHTA conductor  
MAURIZIO POLLINI piano

TEL AVIV, Mann Auditorium, 8:30 p.m.  
**Philclassical Concert No. 1**  
Monday, 19.10.87  
ZUBIN MEHTA conductor  
BRUCE WEINSTEIN oboe  
RICHARD LESSER clarinet  
ZEEV DORMAN bassoon  
JEFFREY LANG horn

Programme:  
Mozart: Overture to "La Clemenza di Tito"  
Mozart: Symphony No. 38, "Prague"  
Mozart: Sinfonia Concertante for Winds

TEL AVIV, Mann Auditorium, 8:30 p.m.  
**Light Classical Music Concert No. 1**  
Saturday, 24.10.87  
ZUBIN MEHTA conductor  
ROSALIND FLOWRIGHT soprano

Programme:  
Liszt: Hungarian Rhapsody No. 4  
Mozart: "Halka"  
Arias for soprano by:  
Spontini, Bellini, Verdi, Bellini.

Kesim (spiritual leaders) depicted in clay by Ethiopian immigrants whose work is on display at the Jerusalem House of Quality until October 27. Hundreds of figures illustrate the daily activities of Ethiopian life such as carrying water, pounding grain, praying, and caring for children. Many of the artists studied ceramics at the Ramat HaNegev College in Yeroham with Avraham Moyal, who is also the organizer and curator of the exhibition.  
(Text by Andrea King; photo by Baruch Rimoni.)

# Koch boycotts Canadian congress that didn't invite Teddy Kolek

By Walter Ruby  
Jerusalem Post Correspondent  
NEW YORK. — Mayor Ed Koch has informed organizers of a Canadian-run international conference of 80 mayors that he will boycott the proceedings unless Jerusalem Mayor Teddy Kolek is invited.

Officials had announced earlier that they did not plan to invite Kolek to the October 20-23 Conference of Mayors of Capital Cities, to be held in Ottawa, because the Canadian government does not recognize Jerusalem as Israel's capital. More than 80 mayors from major cities around the world have been invited, including Shlomo Lahat of Tel Aviv, who has declined to attend because of the boycott of Kolek.

"I couldn't possibly go if the man who is considered to be the mayor of

all mayors—Teddy Kolek—is not invited," Koch told the *New York Post*. Koch said he was earlier persuaded to attend the conference by Ottawa Mayor Jim Durrell, who pleaded with Koch to come because "it wouldn't be much of a conference without the most international city of them all."

But Koch called Durrell back to tell him he had changed his mind and decided not to come after learning that Jerusalem had been snubbed.

Durrell responded that to invite Kolek would be "a violation" of Canadian government policy. Koch replied, "So make your own foreign policy — I have my own all the time. You are just going to have to create your own foreign policy or I won't be there." Koch is now awaiting a response from Durrell.

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## THE JERUSALEM POST



# Betti Lipman talks to religious women about their participation in the Sherut Leumi programme

## Learning about the hard life

THE ONCE-prevalent conception that religiously-observant young women exploit halachic prohibitions so as to obtain exemption from serving in the army is being dispelled with the increasing expansion of Sherut Leumi activities.

Organized mostly under the auspices of the (apolitical) Israel Volunteer Service Association (Ivsa), nearly 3,000 young Orthodox women who want to serve their country in some way are currently involved in Sherut Leumi (National Service) programmes. In the main, these women — in the course of at least one year — supplement professional staff in social service organizations which would otherwise be lacking proper resources and personnel.

Rivka, for example, has just completed a year of service among emotionally-deprived children in Kiryat Shmona, and will spend next year as a liaison officer and counselor for overseas kibbutz volunteers.

"Secular girls in the army give two years to the country's service," she says simply. "Why shouldn't we?"

"I considered doing military service but was a little apprehensive that I might not remain true to my beliefs. In Sherut Leumi, working in religious schools and youth clubs, I am sure to maintain my standards of faith and observance."

Eighteen-year-old Sarit, a bright

student with high academic potential, will be spending this year coordinating social, educational and cultural activities for youth in the development town of Dimona.

"I could be exempt from the army on religious grounds but I didn't feel I could accept that. All my life I've been able to do what I want, accepting what the country — my country — has to offer me. Now it's my turn to contribute, to help youngsters to learn and to enjoy the opportunities I have had," says Sarit.

According to Ivsa national coordinator Miriam Meir, "We are inundated with requests for assistance from religious institutions throughout the country, including those for the elderly and the retarded. It's not easy to persuade the girls to undertake some of these less glamorous areas of service in out-of-the-way places. Naturally, they have reservations about their ability to handle such demanding, seemingly thankless tasks."

"When they do realize that their contribution is essential," she adds, "they are invariably grateful for the experience and the opportunities to learn about life's hardships."

The association's activities encompass over 120 centres from Kiryat Shmona to Eilat, reflecting its involvement in many essential areas — social services for disadvantaged families; auxiliary assistance in medical and educational institutions; as well as in agricultural settlements; integration of new immigrants and prisoner rehabilitation, according to Meir.

**DURING THE SUMMER** vacation preceding their service, Sherut Leumi volunteers attend preparatory courses and seminars, each participating in a specific area of work. As Dov Froman, director and founder of the Ivsa, points out, "The girls often have some romantic notion about the work they'll be doing or the places they're going to so it's as well that they see beforehand what it's really all about, then they can still relocate or choose some other sphere."

Avraham Ra'anan, Ivsa's national supervisor and coordinator of seminars and courses, adds: "It's important that these 18-year-olds — many of whom have never been away from home — see what the service is all

about before making up their minds. "During their last year at school, we try to have them visit a development town and see, first hand, what the girls who are serving there are doing and what their duties are."

In educational programmes requiring the cooperation of the parents, young volunteers visit the homes of "problem" children to enlist their families' support and participation. In many instances, these parents, who were deprived of education in their country of origin, are simply not equipped to help their children.

Through the Tehila Adult Education Programme, sponsored by the government and Project Renewal, Sherut Leumi women help the parents improve their general standard of learning and acquire basic reading and writing skills so that they are able to assist their younger children in their studies and maintain contact with older ones away from home.

Sherut Leumi volunteers also help pupils — particularly those who have learning disabilities — with their lessons and help organize afternoon social, sports and cultural activities. Many volunteers serve in medical

institutions around the country; some choose to assist in mental hospitals, old-age homes or mother-and-child clinics, others in general hospitals and the Magen David Adom ambulance service. More than 300 each year provide both moral and physical support in hospital wards. MDA volunteers, who take a two-month course, serve for two years, some assisting doctors in special cardiac-care ambulances.

The pain and suffering that these youngsters, fresh out of high school, encounter precipitate maturation and strengthen their character. Dafna, working in intensive care at Hadassah Hospital, feels that "the transition from high school and the comfortable hothouse of my Ramat Gan home into an area where, daily, I see death and suffering, is rapidly changing my thinking and my personality."

Many Sherut Leumi volunteers in this branch of the service maintain that it is their deep religious conviction that enables them to endure the confrontation with death, horror and hopelessness to which they are constantly exposed.

Another new project has incorpo-

rated Sherut Leumi into the police force where the young women are employed for the purpose of detecting forgeries and fraud. They are also requested to assist in teaching prisoners who wish to raise their educational standards in study centres especially established outside the prisons.

A particularly demanding task is that of Sherut Leumi resident counselor — a sort of "Big Sister" assigned to Youth Aliya boarding schools for immigrant children and those from broken homes.

Michal, one of eight children in a close-knit, loving family, has just graduated from the Upana (religious boarding school) and chose this area of service because, "having just left school myself, I believe I have a special affinity and rapport with these girls. Maybe I, too, can share with them the special family relationship that I am lucky to enjoy and experience."

Many volunteers are to be found in the field of social welfare, particularly in development towns, where they assist social workers or provide direct support to youth in *miflutim* (Hebrew acronym for Occupational Centres for Youth) and organize cultural enrichment activities for local inhabitants.

THE IVSA is particularly active among new immigrants, helping to

ease their integration. In the past two years, since Operation Moses, Sherut Leumi volunteers have been assisting professional staff caring for Ethiopian newcomers.

Under the guidance of social workers, they have accompanied the bewildered new immigrants to Kupat Holim clinics and on shopping expeditions. They also acted as assistant teachers in *ulpanim*, continuing in the afternoon with individual tutoring in absorption centre *moadonim* (clubs).

Most Sherut Leumi volunteers live away from home. Those attached to the hospitals are accommodated in Ivsa-owned dormitories. Others share furnished apartments where they fend for themselves, cooking, cleaning and learning to budget their monthly allowance. In development towns, they are often invited to share Shabbat meals with local families.

Perhaps the most eloquent tribute to the level of service of the Sherut Leumi volunteers was paid them by former CGS General Rafael Eitan when he visited their centres just before his retirement: "The girls serving in Sherut Leumi are also serving the IDF and it is irrelevant whether they serve in uniform or in civilian clothing. The work that these girls are doing is both important and essential."

## Demography and abortion

### OPINION

Shimon M. Glick

THE ARAB "transfer" proposal has had one positive effect. It forced the Israeli public to confront, if only momentarily, the tragic demographic truth facing the Jewish people in the shadow of the Holocaust. Contrary to expectations the Jewish state has not eliminated the existential threat, now self-induced, that faces the Jewish people, even in its own land.

Another depressing statistic that has been confronting the Israeli public is the highway death toll, which has engendered the usual public outrage and discussion as to causes, failed solutions, and steps that need to be taken. But in all the discussions on population, demography and loss of life, there seems to be a blind spot that affects public officials and media alike.

The demographic problem is composed of two elements: an ever-increasing non-Jewish population and lagging Jewish population growth. While we have few ethically and socially acceptable ways to influence the rate of exchange of the non-Jewish population, little serious thought is given to the Jewish half of the equation, aside from heated discussions about *aliyah* and *yerida*. There is almost no mention of the major continuing drain on the Israeli population via abortion, legal and illegal.

According to official Ministry of Health statistics, about 20,000 "legal" abortions are performed annually. Health Minister Shoshana Arbeli-Almozino stated to the Knesset some time ago that perhaps another 40,000 illegal abortions are being performed annually, almost exclusively by the Jewish population.

In order to appreciate the dimensions of this loss of life, one should compare the following data: annual death toll in the Lebanese war was 220; annual highway death toll 4,500; annual loss of life due to cigarettes 3,500; annual number of Jewish births, 70,000; annual number of abortions 30-60,000.

These numbers indicate that in the short period of its existence, Israel has lost several hundred thousand or perhaps as many as several million potential Jewish citizens by abortion.

Not is the situation static. It con-

tinues to deteriorate. In 1985 there were 3,000 more legal abortions than in 1983 — a frightening increase. The "health of the woman" clause under which over 6,000 legal abortions are performed annually is openly acknowledged to be merely a camouflage for the "social clause" abolished by the Knesset in 1979, for by all modern professional obstetrical standards, the number of medical conditions that prevent a woman from carrying an infant to term is infinitesimal.

The abortions under the clause "danger to the infant" has risen 40 per cent in two years — with no explanation. In 1985, 40 per cent of the legal abortions in Israel were performed in just three small private hospitals, which have their own abortion committees, and derive substantial income from this procedure. The exaggerated use of private hospitals and the huge illegal black market in abortions belie the classic image of an abortion-seeking unfortunate mother of 12 living with her alcoholic husband, ill mother-in-law, and drug addict son in a two-room apartment. Clearly most abortions are done for fairly well-to-do women for far less "dramatic or heart-wrenching" reasons.

I DO NOT propose harsher abortion laws nor do I advocate forbidding abortions, for I am convinced that legal approaches do not provide solutions for so sensitive and personal an issue. But I do feel that so grave a matter deserves some serious stocktaking, with honesty and integrity.

I should like to emphasize a few points: 1. As our scientific knowledge about the fetus increases, it is clear that the argument considering the abortion issue solely in terms of a woman's right over her body is fallacious. In abortion we are dealing with deathly, irreversible harm to a living entity which, even at a few weeks of age, has a beating heart, independent electroencephalographic brain waves and all the components which we normally associate with independent life.

Even if we do agree to abort this entity, it deserves the dignity of being recognized for what it is, a living separate being, and not a piece of

tissue. Were we to recognize this simple incontrovertible truth at least we would grant the fetus "abortion with dignity."

2. Let us for the sake of argument accept the designation as "unwanted" for the fetus. But in a country that in 40 years of existence has sentenced only one criminal to death, it is reasonable that being "unwanted" should carry with it a death sentence.

3. In Israel there are thousands of childless couples willing to pay all most any sum in order to get a child for adoption, and they reach out to the jungles of Brazil and behind the Iron Curtain to do so. Would it not be more logical to suggest adoption as an option to a pregnant woman who does not want her child? The child is desperately wanted by others, and one can, by mutually agreed-upon adoption, solve two problems in a humane and compassionate manner.

4. Many of the abortions performed in Israel are carried out because of exaggerated and unfounded fears of exposure to irradiation, drugs or illness. In view of these facts, a "counseling committee" of the Ministry of Health, headed by Professor Shenkar of Hadassah Medical Centre recommend that accurate information about the true fetal risks of these circumstances be made available to the committees that decide on abortion. Unfortunately this recommendation is honoured mostly in the breach.

5. Many of the women who consider the option of abortion are unaware of the attendant risks, which include infection, hemorrhage and even subsequent permanent infertility (ironically, a major portion of *in vitro* fertilization procedures, at enormous inconvenience and cost, are carried out on women rendered sterile by previous abortion). The law requires that women considering abortions be fully informed about the nature of the procedure and its risks. This law is not honoured, and many women regard abortion as innocuous as a trip to the hairdresser.

6. In a society dedicated to the protection of the weak and defenceless, in the best Jewish tradition, is not the totally helpless fetus entitled to some ombudsman, to some public

defender, who could prevent the fatal decision about its future from being decided in less than five minutes in an assembly line type hearing?

The most vicious of criminals is provided with a lawyer and ample time to present all the arguments in his behalf, because he is presumed innocent until proven otherwise. The fetus has no lawyer, no one to speak a word in his defence if he has committed the terrible crime of being "unwanted" — and the punishment, abortion, is irreversible.

THERE ARE, interestingly enough, many productive and happy adults now alive whose parents considered abortion but, because of a variety of circumstances, the procedure did not take place. Is there not room for a bit more reflection and deliberation, and possibly an occasional reprieve, before putting into operation this cruel and irreversible procedure?

The time has come to step back, to reflect. Is the collective suicide of the Jewish people in its homeland desirable, logical, humane? Is there no alternative? Is it not possible to save even 5 or 10 per cent of the 40-60,000 babies killed each year?

I believe that without a change in the law and without any coercion whatever it is possible to save thousands of fetuses, potential new "olam" to the State of Israel. This can be done merely by following the provisions of the present law in their letter and in their spirit. All that needs to be done is to bring to the attention of the public, the physician, the nurses, the social workers, and of potential mothers the true maternal and fetal indications for abortion, the real dangers inherent in the procedure, and the reasonable humane alternatives that can be provided.

I think that every citizen, secular as well as religious, feminist as well as male chauvinist, can agree to this proposal which is logical, ethical and essential for our survival. Our future depends on it.

The writer is the dean of the Ben-Gurion University Faculty of Health Sciences and director of Kupat Holim, in the Negev.

## Victory after frustration

REPORT  
Laurence Agron

ATARA DAFNI, a 29-year-old physical education instructor from Ramat Gan, already the nation's champion woman weight-lifter and arm-wrestler won the Ms. Israel championship of the International Federation of Body Builders (IFBB) held in Tel Aviv last month.

For Dafni, the victory ended a long year of frustration. Due to a dispute with the Israel IFBB chairman, Asher Frig, she was prevented from competing in the first Ms. Israel contest held last year. She watched uncomfortably as beautiful but relatively un-muscular Anat Shlomo walked away with the title. During that contest, many photographers concentrated as much on Dafni as on the stage, and she was dubbed "the uncrowned champion."

For her part, Shlomo felt that although Dafni had greater muscle-size, it did not compare with her own symmetrical and lean, defined physique.

In addition to these two, the August 22 contest boasted another interesting contestant, Tali Benvenisti, of Haifa.

Like Dafni, the 25-year-old Benvenisti had patched up her differences with Frig, which had precluded her participation in last year's event. Dafni and Benvenisti, acted as if the competition was between the two of them, with defending champion Shlomo and 15½-year-old Sheba Ratzkoff posing only token opposition.

Backstage at the Cinerama, Benvenisti and Dafni "pumped up" furiously to make sure their muscles were tight and bulging as they prepared for their entry onstage. Shlomo and Ratzkoff leisurely stretched and lifted weights, but did so without the necessary "killer" intensity.

Dafni and Benvenisti deliberately worked out in adjoining but separate areas, out of sight of each other, neither wishing to display her physique fully until the last moment before they were called onto the stage.

However, psychological advantages played little part in the outcome. Dafni, at 56.5 kilos on her 1.68m. frame, was a full 10 kilos under her normal weight. This might be unhealthy for most people, but for an aspiring physique champion it is essential to maintain a



Atara Dafni

(Agron)

relatively low body-fat level in order to show off better one's muscular separation and development.

Benvenisti on the other hand, although looking very healthy, dieted less rigorously, losing only three kilos.

The weight factor plus Dafni's more confident and polished posing won the day. Afterwards she said, "I felt strong, self-confident and very comfortable. I didn't want to leave the stage. I could have gone on for another hour." She confessed that the following day, she gave in to her appetite and ate "everything."

DAFNI IS CONCERNED that, because she trained so hard for the body-building championship, she neglected the different type of training required for competitive weight-lifting. She is now working hard in preparation for the international women's weight-lifting

tournament in Dayton, Beach, Florida on October 31.

One is easily disarmed by Dafni's refreshing candour and sense of humour. But other competitors in strength sports had better beware: she is as determined as she is gifted.

Competition does not, however, appear to enter her personal life. Long gone are adolescent worries about her muscularity and a perceived lack of femininity. She now relishes the appreciative stares she receives from men.

Her body-building interests are avidly shared by her training partner and boyfriend, Eli Hanna. Hanna, at 1.9m and 108 kilos cuts quite a figure himself. In fact, Dafni and Hanna had another reason to celebrate at the Cinerama. He won the Young Mr. Israel Body-building title.

Today is edited by Ami Levinson.

## TODAY'S ENTERTAINMENT

**EDUCATIONAL TV**  
9.00 Telecast 9.05 Kef 9.15 Making Magic 9.40 Nahshon 9.45 The Witches and the Grinygory (part 3) 10.10 Telecast 10.15 Zoo Family (part 3) 10.40 The Life of English painter Stanhope Forbes and his wife Elsiebeth 11.20 Jazz Concert 14.00 Telecast 14.05 Everyman's University broadcasts 15.00 The Day the Universe changed 15.50 Telecast 15.55 Revue Sumsum 16.25 Small Wonder 17.00 A New Evening — live magazine

**ISRAELI TV**  
CHILDREN'S PROGRAMMES  
17.30 Fame 18.20 Animated film

**ARABIC LANGUAGE PROGRAMMES**  
18.30 News roundup 18.32 What's the Answer? 18.45 Inventions and Innovations 19.00 Weekly News Magazine

**HEBREW PROGRAMMES** resume at 20.00 with a news roundup  
20.02 Tili Pop — pop and entertainment magazine  
21.00 Mabot Newsreel  
21.25 Programme Trailer  
21.50 Dynasty — American serial  
22.40 Quotation Mark — literary programme introduced by Yaron London  
23.20 Alfred Hitchcock Presents: Prisoners  
23.25 News

**ISRAELI TV CHANNEL 2**  
19.00 Shmil the Cat 19.30 Allegro 20.00 Second Look 21.00 Pop 2

**JORDAN TV** (unofficial)  
15.30 Cartoons 17.00 French Hour 18.30 News in Hebrew 19.00 News in Arabic 19.30 Charles in Charge 20.10 Documentary 21.00 News in English 21.20 The Equalizer 22.10 Are You Being Served?

**MIDDLE EAST TV**  
12.30 Another Life 13.00 700 Club 13.30 Good News 14.00 Warzel Gummidge 14.30 Flying House 16.00 Fraggle Rock 16.30 Arabic Movie 17.30 The Waltons 18.00 Sixty Minutes 19.00 The Sunday Classics 20.00 Movie: Johnny Dark 21.30 Good News

**VOICE OF MUSIC**  
6.01 Morning Melodies 7.09 Bach: Suite No. 1 for 2 Oboes, Bassoons, Strings and Continuo; Mozart: Piano Concerto No. 12 (L'Espresso, London) 17.00 Evening Zimrat: Spohr: Sextet for Flute, Clarinet, Horn, Bassoon, Violin, Cello and Piano (Nash); Smetana: "The Moldau" (Chicago/Barenboim); Brahms: Hungarian Dances No. 1, 3 and 4 (Chicago/Barenboim) 9.00 Dvorak: Symphony No. 8; Schubert: Overture for Strings and Wind Instruments; Weber: Concerto No. 1 for Clarinet and Orchestra; Haydn: Piano Sonata (Brendel); Mozart: Symphony No. 38 (Academy of Ancient Music/Hogwood) 12.00 Bert Ber-

man, piano — Scarlatti: Sonata: Orgad: Ways and Gestures; Franck: Prelude, Fugue and Variations 13.06 Cantata: Quintet for Wind Instruments No. 3; Mozart: Quintet for Wind Instruments K.582; Medtner: Concert Overture; Vaughan Williams: Serenade for Music (London/Boult); Stravinsky: Scherzo Fantastique (New York/Boulez); A.L. Weber: Requiem (Domingo, Brightman) 15.00 Chamber Music/Mozart, 15.00 Contemporary Music 16.00 Bach: Cantata No. 148; Rossini: Petite Messe Solennelle (Lovaas, Fassbender, Schreier, Fischer-Dieskau/Sawallisch); Brahms: 3 Motets 18.00 Music Quiz 19.00 Light Classical Music 20.00 Musical Medley 20.30 "Vocalist" 22.00 Jewish 22.30 Phylim for Shilmita 23.00 Mahler: Songs; Schoenberg: Chamber Music

**RADIO 1st**  
6.08 Programmes for Olim 7.30 Programme in Easy Hebrew 8.05 Compass 9.05 Information for Listeners 10.05 Hebrew songs and dances 11.05 Morning Pearls 12.05 Mid-East Medley 13.00 News in English 13.30 News in French 14.00 Children's programmes 15.30 Everyman's University 16.00 Youth Magazine 17.10 Songs for the Afternoon 18.00 Jewish Traditions 19.05 The Mishna Portion for today 19.20 Bible Reading 19.30 Programmes for Olim 22.05 Radio Drama: Mirele Effrat 23.18 Hebrew songs

**RADIO 2nd**  
6.04 Editorial Review 6.10 Gymnastics 6.30 News roundup 6.52 Green Light — drivers' corner 7.00 This Morning — news magazine 8.05 Making an issue 9.05 Children's programme 10.05 All Shades of the Network 12.10 O.K. on Two 13.00 Midday — news commentary, music 14.05 Arts and Culture magazine 14.30 Hour 15.05 Magic Moments 16.05 Economics Magazine 17.05 Hebrew songs 18.05 Hebrew songs 18.45 Sports 19.00 Today — radio newsreel 19.35 The Jewish People 20.05 Sephardi songs 22.05 Between Ourselves 00.15 Songs for the End of the Day

**ARMY**  
6.05 Morning Sounds 6.30 Open Your Eyes — songs, information 7.07 "707" 8.00 Good Morning Israel 9.05 In the Morning 10.05 Music 11.05 Right-Now 13.05 Hebrew hits 14.05 Arts — Haifa 16.05 Open Line to the Mayor of Tel Aviv, Shimon (Chich) Levi 17.00 Evening Newsreel 18.05 Economics Magazine 19.05 Sports 20.05 The Making of a State (repeat) 21.00 Mabot — TV newsreel 21.30 No Quiet Night 22.05 Popular songs 23.05 The 24th Hour 00.05 Night Birds — songs, chat

**ARMY TWO**  
19.05 Radio Radio 20.05 Information, regards and radio games 22.05 Coffee Break 23.05 All That Jazz

## CINEMA PERFORMANCES

**JERUSALEM**  
Belt Agony: Ward of Or 10 & 4; City Chitry Bang Bang 11:45; On Her Majesty's Secret Service 1:30; West Side Story 8; Shabbat 8:30; Joshua Thon and Now 10; Everything You Always Wanted to Know About Sex, mid-night: Predator 4:30, 7:30; An American Tail 10:30 a.m., 12:30; Editions: Beverly Hills Cop 4:30, 7:15; E.T. 10:30; 12:30; Hebraic Cinema Empowered due to renovations; Israel Museum: Kuni Larnel in Cairo, 10:30, 3:30; Jerusalem Theatre: Death of a Salesman 7:30; Jean de Florette, 11, 4; Kfir: The Untouchables, 4:30, 7:15; Beauty and the Beast 10:30; The Godfather Part II, 7:30; 9:15; 11:30; Orly: Full Metal Jacket 4:30, 7:15; 9:15; 11:30; Orly: Don't Give a Damn 7:15; 9:15; 11:30; Orly: Flight of the Navigator 10:30, 4:30; Scarface 11:15; Orly: Orly: The Living Daylights 4:30, 7:15; Robocop 8:15; Baito the Unemployed 10:30 a.m.; Subway 11:15 p.m.; Rose: Black Widow 4:30, 7:15; Karate Kid 1:30; Seanzard: Stand By Me 7:30, 7:15, 9:15.

**HAIFA**  
Amphitheatre: Wet Gold 4:30, 7:15; 9:15; Attraction 1:30; Robocop 4:30, 7:15; Superman IV & American Ninja III, 11 a.m.; Attraction 2: Rebel Woman 4:30, 7:15; E.T. 11 a.m.; Attraction 3: Children of a Lesser God 4:15; 6:45, 9:10; Chen Hershkovitz: Blind Date 7:30, 9:15; Crocodile Dundee 11, 4:30; Karate Kid: The Godfather Part II, 7:30, 9:15; 11:30; Orly: Don't Give a Damn 4:30, 7:15; Orly: Beverly Hills Cop II, 4:30, 7:15; Orly: Film Festival (see announcements); Peer: Predator 4:30, 7:15; 9:15; Full Metal Jacket 4:30, 7:15, 9:15; Song of the South 10:30, 2:30, 4:30; Raw-Gat 2: Stand By Me 7:30, 9:15; Mary Poppins 10:30, 2:30, 4:30; The Untouchables 4:30, 7:15, 9:15; Shawty: Film Festivals (see announcements)

**RAMAT GAN**  
Armon: Predator 5, 7:30, 9:15; Lity: Hot Pursuit 8, 7:15, 9:30; Cheats: Full Metal Jacket 4:30, 7:30, 9:15; Beverly Hills Cop I, 4:30, 7:15, 9:30; Raw-Gat 1: The Witches of Eastwick 7:30, 9:30; Song of the South 10:30, 2:30, 4:30; New-Gat 2: Outrageous Fortune 7:30, 9:30; E.T. 10, 12:30, 2:30; Raw-Gat 3: The Name of the Rose 7:15, 9:15; King Kong II, 10:30, 12:30, 2:30, 5.

**TEL AVIV**  
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## Greer Fay Cashman tells the story of two visitors who were turned away from Israel and of a determined man who set right an injustice

# A 'pain in the neck,' but it's all for the best

TO SOME PEOPLE, especially officials at the Ministries of Tourism and Foreign Affairs, George Isaacs is a pain in the neck. But to Christopher Davies, a British Telecom employee, Isaacs is a 20th-century version of a knight in shining armor.

In February last year, Davies and a friend arrived in Eilat, all set to spend a couple of weeks in the sun. The clerk at passport control gave him a strange look and told him to stand to one side. After what seemed to him a considerable waiting period, he was approached by another official, who apparently spoke no English. The man told him through an interpreter that he was not welcome in Israel because he had a criminal record. When Davies asked what he was supposed to have done, there was no information forthcoming.

When he asked permission to phone the British consul, the interpreter did not translate his request. Nor according to Davies, did she translate anything else he said. He was turned back to the plane whose engines were already warming up. His companion was allowed to stay, but couldn't do so because he was penniless. Unable to sign travelers' cheques due to the sensitivity of his job, he had given all his holiday money to Davies, who had converted it to travellers cheques under his own signature.

So both returned to England, forking out for a hotel at Gatwick Airport while they waited for a connecting flight to Wales. Davies later contacted Israeli diplomatic representatives in London to try to shed some light on the whole business of his being refused entry - but he drew a blank. No one was willing to tell him anything.

A friend suggested that he ask someone at his local police station to contact Interpol - which is what he did. It was then that he discovered

that he was the victim of a computer error. The person who was *persona non grata* in Israel was one Douglas Davis, who had a record here of drug offences. The only thing the two men had in common, aside from a British passport, was their year of birth - 1954.

Davis had been convicted in Israel in 1983, but Davies had a passport issued in 1977 with no Israel entry stamp. His ill-fated landing in Eilat was to have been his first visit. However he was not given the chance to make this point when he was abrasively turned out.

If he had been able to get his money back from Intsun, which is one of Britain's largest tourist companies, he would have chalked up the incident to an unfortunate experience - and would have put it out of his mind. But Intsun disclaimed all responsibility. After all, they argued, he had flown to Israel and back; it wasn't their fault that his plans had come unstuck.

Davis had spent something like £650 on his vacation. The only refund he received was £138 from the King Solomon hotel which is owned by British hotel tycoon David Lewis.

Unable to get anywhere with Israeli officials or the travel agency, he decided to petition the Queen so that the matter would be referred to the British Foreign Office. That effort too came to naught.

The next step was a television breakfast show *Watchdog*, which usually brings results. The programme on which he appeared was devoted to holiday disasters. This time, Lynn Faulstich-Whitaker who runs the show, couldn't come up with a solution. Israel Consul Jacob Perry, was unimpressed by the fact that millions of viewers would gain a negative impression of Israel. He reportedly took a hard line both with Davies and Faulstich-Whitaker.

**SOMEONE AT The Jewish Chronicle** saw the story and followed it up. And this was how George Isaacs came into the picture. Isaacs, a 76-year-old retiree who has been living in Jerusalem since 1981, spends a lot of time at the British Council Library reading English newspapers. He saw the story in *The Jewish Chronicle* and was outraged. He began badgering journalists, people in various departments in the Foreign Ministry, the Ministry of Tourism and even personalities close to Prime Minister Shamir.

With unflinching tenacity, he made phone calls, wrote letters, knocked on doors and waylaid hapless VIPs at public meetings. When Rafi Farber, director general of the Ministry of Tourism, apologised that he could do nothing to rectify the situation, Isaacs snapped: "Any office boy could tell me that. I expect more from a director-general."

Somehow Isaacs discovered the identity of Tourism Minister Sharir's private secretary. Getting to the personal secretaries is half the battle, he says.

He told her that the problem wouldn't go away just because it was being ignored. By not doing anything, he insisted, Sharir who also holds the Justice portfolio, was "perpetuating an injustice."

Isaacs' foot-slogging, door-knocking and ear-bashing paid off. Earlier this month Christopher Davies arrived in Israel as the guest of the Ministry of Tourism. The deal also included a one-week, all expenses paid stay at the Dan Panorama hotel in Tel Aviv. Davies was able to spend more than a week here due to the efforts of a Dr. David Doran of Finchley, who started a fund for him and raised £800. Davies' friend Gareth Wheeler, who was with him the first time around, but was unable to accompany him on this occasion, will also get a free trip.

Davies is not the least bit bitter. He's been marvellously treated this time, he says, and will certainly come back again at his own expense. "I've learned not to judge the Israeli people by the reception you get at the airport in Eilat."

As for George Isaacs, when asked about his endless perseverance, he declared "I'm a Welshman," as if the statement were completely self-explanatory.

Isaacs' next crusade is for road safety. He wants to get a law passed in which every car driver involved in a fatal road accident will be charged with murder instead of manslaughter. If he succeeds in that ambition, he will address himself to electoral reform.

"I just love a good battle," says the feisty septuagenarian, who's quite proud of the fact that he's a pain in the neck. "I did what I did to right an injustice."

## Ya'acov Friedler speculates on the recent 'racial incident' The Yom Kippur clash that set Haifa worrying

**HAIFA.** - It is a measure of Haifa's anxiety to preserve the peaceful co-existence between its Jewish and Arab citizens that there was a feeling of relief when the police investigation of the Yom Kippur Eve fracas between Jewish and Arab youths on the outskirts of the town showed that the Arabs may have provoked it.

The first report was a complaint that a dozen Arabs had been set upon, for no good reason, by a rampaging mob of some 50 Jewish youngsters from the Tirat Carmel suburb.

On Sunday night the police arrested another three suspects, all Jewish, in Tirat Carmel, in addition to the nine Arabs and two soldiers who had been taken in earlier.

The 14 were brought to court this week, and all but one were released on bail. Eleven of them were charged with assault, and the two soldiers who allegedly pointed their loaded and cocked army rifles at the Arabs were charged with armed threats. The remaining suspect, one of the Arab boys, is still being held. The police say he was identified as having assaulted one of the teenage girls from Tirat in the initial incident.

Because of the strained Arab-Jewish relations in the country, the fight was almost instinctively labelled "racial."

But as one of the Arabs involved, Khalid Ganaim, told *The Jerusalem Post*, "They'd have beaten us up if we'd been Jewish boys from Mt. Carmel too. Our being Arabs only added zest."

His instinctive appreciation that the affair was "racial" only in that members of two races happened to be involved hit the nail on the head.

Prof. Baruch Kipnis, the Haifa University geographer, considers the incident "not surprising," part and parcel of the general malaise of the world's metropolises and an expression of the frustration of the have-nots that is a socio-economic ill large cities increasingly suffered from.

In the "poor relation" suburb of Haifa Tirat Carmel, the rows of shikums are topped by the glittering lights of the villas in the Danya quarter, a little farther up the Carmel. For the youths there the lights look within reach but unattainable, and it needs only a small provocation to set off an explosion.

The frustration is multiplied when these boys see peers of their own age from the Arab minority in a position to make much more attractive material offers to girls.

Had the fight been between rival gangs of Jewish youngsters, of which the country had a forfeit lately (some culminating in stabbings, two of them fatal), it would have been accepted with shoulder shrugging about the "increasing violence of our modern society."

As it happened, the two Arabs who were hurt suffered only minor cuts and bruises which, had they been Jewish, would have aroused little notice. Fortunately, not much blood was shed, notwithstanding the rivers discerned in some reports, which went as far as musing about a "pogrom."

According to the Arabs, the Tira youths set on them when "we came to look why they were smashing the road signs" on the Tira-Haifa highway just below the filling station.

The version emerging from the police investigation is that the Arab boys, who were whiling away the time at the deserted station on Yom Kippur, had importuned and even assaulted a couple of Jewish teenage girls who had been strolling with a group of Tira youngsters that evening, when every place of entertainment was closed.

The Arab boys allegedly chased the youngsters down the road, whereupon the boys and girls returned to Tira and recounted their "experience" to a group of older boys who were milling around. This gang, armed with sticks and stones then marched to the station, collecting the two soldiers from a base on the way, to "retaliate" against the "offended honour" of the Tira girls.

As to the smashed road signs, the police believe they were broken up by the Arab boys "who were drunk." Whichever version is the right one, the smashed signs and the brawling of two of the Arab boys are certain.

However much Haifa wants to see the incident as a gang fight rather than racial friction, of a kind that is unprecedented in the town, the seeds of such friction are dangerously being sown.

The recent proposal for a "transfer" of the Arab population of the areas to the Arab countries by former general (aluf) Rehavam Ze'evi, and the more recent call by the former Chief of Staff, MK Rafael Eitan, to kill every Arab found carrying a knife, gun, or other concealed weapon, may be dismissed by the thinking public. But they put ideas into the minds of the less intellectually inclined precisely because they are so clear cut. There is no need to mention Meir Kahane, who is a not an unknown visitor to Tirat Carmel.

Haifa civic leaders, "deeply shocked," have roundly condemned the beating and called for quick and effective punishment of the guilty who so brutally disturbed the for-so-long calm waters of Jewish-Arab relations in the city on Yom Kippur.

As long as Israel can not think out a viable policy that will make clear exactly where we stand vis-a-vis our Arab citizens in Israel and those in the territories, the waters are bound to be disturbed again.

The politicians who are already busy tabling "urgent motions" and calling for immediate debates may be smoothing their own way up, but they are pouring oil on the increasingly troubled waters.

## Rabin snaps up Trade Ministry senior official

By JEFF BLACK

For The Jerusalem Post

Defence Minister Yitzhak Rabin has succeeded in recruiting senior Industry and Trade Ministry official David Brodet for a top job in Israel Aircraft Industries.

Industry and Trade Minister Ariel Sharon said he was reluctant to release Brodet but agreed in the request by Rabin and IAI Director-General Moshe Keret for the official because of IAI's pressing needs following the scrapping of the Lavi project. Brodet will become IAI's

deputy general manager and finance director.

For the past two years Brodet has been the Industry and Trade Ministry's deputy director-general and the head of its finance, planning and economic division.

Observers said last night that Brodet was one of the most highly regarded economists within the ministry and pointed to his success as the official in charge of price supervision and the ministry's economic stabilization committee.

### SHEKEL FOREIGN EXCHANGE RATES October 10, 1987

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HOLLAND	FLORIN	0.7832
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CANADA	DOLLAR	1.2259
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SOUTH AFRICA	RAND	0.2771
BELGIUM	FRANC	0.4242
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## Tamir: El Al flights to Thailand possible

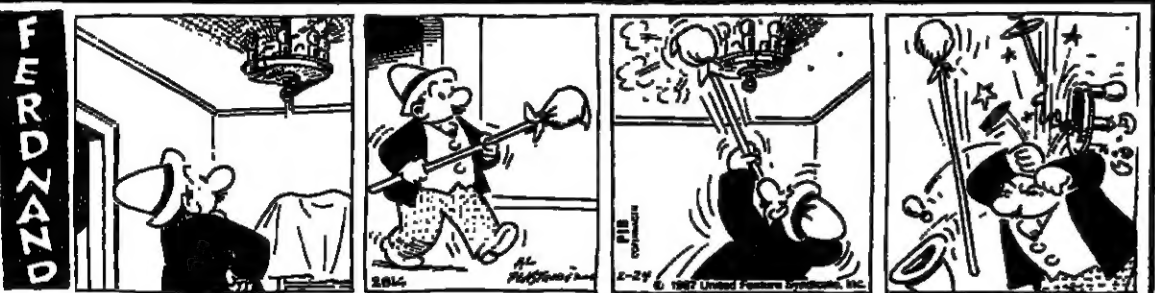
By MENACHEM SHALEV

The first aerial gateway to the Far East, in the form of a Tel Aviv-Nairobi-Bangkok El Al line, is in the works. Foreign Ministry Director General Avraham Tamir reported last week after returning from an extensive tour of the Far East and the Pacific.

Tamir said that Israel and Thailand were in the advanced stages of negotiations for the air route, which would cut about five hours from the 20 it now takes to fly from Israel to the Far East.

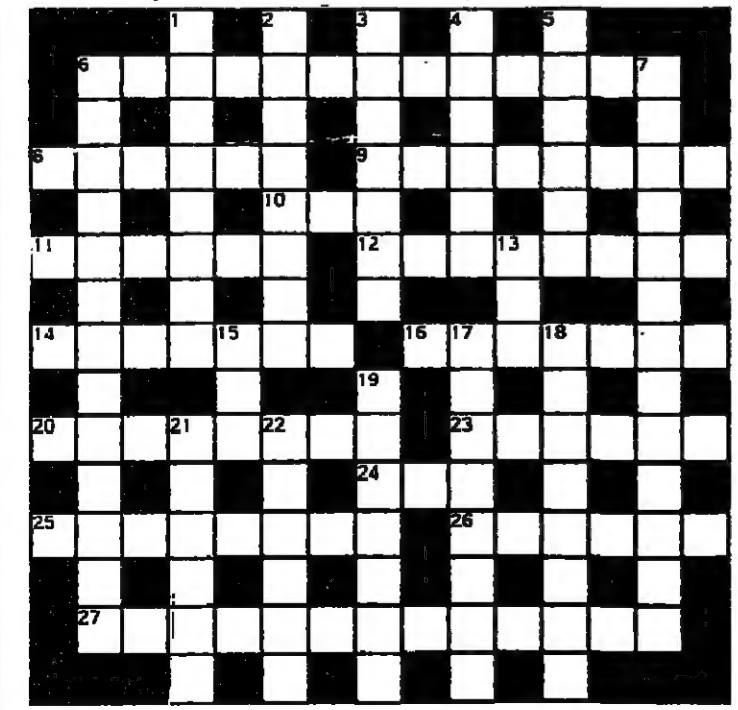
Tamir reported that he found "fertile ground" for the development of commercial links and joint economic ventures with the new states in the Pacific, including Papua-New Guinea, Fiji, Tonga and the Marshall Islands.

Tamir said that the Far East has the potential of becoming the third centre for Israeli trade, after Western Europe and North America. He specified food production and supply, communications, transportation and solar energy as possible areas for Israeli entrepreneurs.

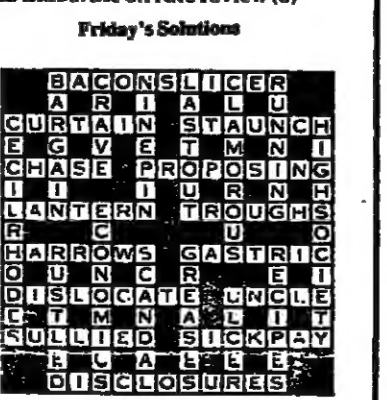


### CROSSWORD

- ACROSS**
- Manoeuvring single armies has nothing to compare with his military power (13)
  - Otherwise rebuked for a gorgeous blunder (6)
  - Leaving sheltered boys to, we hear, seelick boys" (8)
  - Water that is about 100 degrees below boiling point (4)
  - Perceives the sound of a note preceding the funeral procession (6)
  - Dumfries crumpled usually by them (5,3)
  - In pay structure, money was advanced abundantly (7)
  - Make an effort to be delivered out of that temptation (7)
  - Apply by letter to remove bad debts from your books (5,3)
- DOWN**
- 1 Men can't possibly be a race? (3-5)
  - 2 Trending awkwardly—must be the slope of the hill (8)
  - 3 Get together for a photograph (5-2)
  - 4 Assert that it is earth surrounded by water (6)
  - 5 Security service organised raid above ground (3-4)
  - 6 Social gatherings voted for by horticulturalists (6,7)
  - 7 Dole pains gone! Spell that out in Social Security terms (4,3,7)
  - 13 Brew tea and have tiffin (3)
  - 15 He set up the NHS in Britain yesterday (3)
  - 17 Exchanged for the racket that goes on in the Exchange (6,2)
  - 18 Depending upon a current shade of blue (8)
  - 19 Maybe the secret of the bowler's success, but not on a motor outing (3-4)
  - 21 Drums for the piper's son (3-3)
  - 22 Elaborate on rate review (6)



- Friday's Solutions**
- ACROSS**
1. Glimmering
  2. Painter
  3. Turtles
  4. Teeth
  5. Prostate
  6. Nougat
  7. Tunny
  8. Entraps
  9. Respect
  10. Gormless
  11. Raise
  12. Tractor
  13. Improve
  14. Shrewd guess
- DOWN**
1. Gliders
  2. Aitch
  3. Scrappy
  4. Outpost
  5. Surrounds
  6. Silence
  7. Put on we, it
  8. See eye to eye
  9. Gladly
  10. Tarts
  11. Sparrow
  12. Reeling
  13. Editors
  14. Rupee



- QUICK CROSSWORD**
- ACROSS**
- 1 Infected smell (5)
  - 2 Worker (6)
  - 3 Twelfth-night dress (7)
  - 4 (anal) eyes (5)
  - 5 Nobleman (11)
  - 6 Fruit-tree enclosure (7)
  - 7 Wet earth (3)
  - 8 Malayan boat (4)
  - 9 Christmas (4)
  - 10 Dejected (5)
  - 11 Sighs over (7)
  - 12 Foul (4)
  - 13 Salted water (5)
  - 14 Wealth (7)
  - 15 Occurrences (6)
  - 16 Magic charm (5)
- DOWN**
- 1 Walk unsteadily (6)
  - 2 Deduce (3)
  - 3 Common amphibian (1)
  - 4 Of ruddy complexion (1)
  - 5 Household refuse (7)
  - 6 Given to modern fads (6)
  - 7 Ecclesiastical council (5)
  - 8 Cursing list (4)
  - 9 Usual procedure (7)
  - 10 Steady (6)
  - 11 Walking stick (5)
  - 12 Rescind law (6)
  - 13 Entertain (5)
  - 14 Cupid (4)

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## Unabated death toll

THE COUNTRY'S worst killer is allowed to continue on his rampage while hardly anything is being done to stop him or, at least, slow his pace. The death toll on the roads has again reached a record number during the past holiday week, but the tragedy of each family involved in these road accidents has come to be treated as a matter of routine.

Although each such accident is the result of careless or reckless driving, a totally man-made infliction, the general attitude towards this scourge is as if it was caused by a supernatural power whose cruel verdict we must accept helplessly.

The various causes of Israel's unusually high road casualties rate have been enumerated time and again. They range from the typical Israeli *machlo* driver who has to prove his virility on the country's roads, endangering the lives of many others in the process, to the natural fatigue of many drivers behind the steering wheel, particularly during the long and hot summer months, who doze off for a split second or more, thus often causing fatal accidents. How often does one hear that the driver "lost control," but rather than looking for some mysterious mechanical failure of the vehicle as cause of an accident, one can safely assume that the driver simply fell asleep.

Although the country's road system has considerably improved over the years, the consistently rising number of cars — one of the highest per road kilometre in the world — has not diminished the number of casualties. This is a given situation which will hardly change, unless Israel's public transport system will undergo major improvements, such as fast inter-urban trains which would make commuting between the country's three major cities a travelling pleasure.

The late Mordechai Bentov, one of Israel's first Housing and Public Works ministers, foresaw the impending calamity over three decades ago and proposed building a monorail, between Jerusalem and Tel Aviv, as well as a fast train system between Haifa and Tel Aviv, which would have cut down road traffic considerably. He was practically laughed out of court at the time and was regarded as someone with futurist fantasies.

To cope with the present situation one must therefore take immediate measures which will, at least, reduce the number of victims on our roads. One of the first such measures ought to be a law that would make installing air-conditioners in cars compulsory. In a country which is exposed to summer heat nearly seven months of the year this is no longer a luxury which only the rich can enjoy. Driving in a cool car immediately increases the alertness of the person behind the wheel which is the first remedy against accidents.

Another measure that must be put into effect immediately is the setting up of a highway police patrol force whose very presence on the roads will act as a deterrent against speeding and reckless drivers. It has been proven time and again that even a regular police car which is not on road patrol duty immediately tames the drivers who follow it.

One might also consider the possibility of introducing compulsory rest stops through road barriers on accident prone highways such as the long and monotonous Arava road to Eilat.

To judge by the pace with which Transport Minister Haim Corfu has reluctantly introduced the compulsory use of seat belts in the cities as well, and that only for a trial period, there is little ground for optimism that the government will at last regard the battle against road deaths as one of its top priorities. But this is what it must do without any further delay.

Let the great reaper will continue to take more young and innocent lives from our small nation.

## MAN SHOT

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Bezael came to the Old City to have his girlfriend's necklace repaired. As he passed the same corner that Shafat would pass minutes later, two men dressed in jeans asked him in Arabic what time it was.

"I answered that I don't have a watch, and I went into the store nearby," Bezael recalled. "The first thing I heard was a shot. I ran outside and saw a man lying there." The two people who had asked him for the time were running away, he said.

One of the first people to reach the scene was, by pure coincidence, the Jerusalem Municipality's adviser on Arab affairs, Amir Cheshin.

"I saw this stampede of people running away from the spot, and the merchants were starting to close their shops," Cheshin said. "When I got closer, I saw the man lying on the ground in a pool of blood."

Word of the attack reached Jerusalem's Musrara neighbourhood more slowly than it normally would have because of the strike by state radio and television workers.

"Tonight there weren't any demonstrations, but I expect there will be in the future," said Sami Romy, a Musrara resident. "Musrara is a neighbourhood where people don't let things like this pass quietly."

Jerusalem police chief Yosef Yehuda said last night police believed that Arab nationalist motives were behind the attack.

Mayor Teddy Kollek visited Shafat's wife at the hospital last night. Earlier in the evening, he told a convention of Christian pilgrims that the city's answer to terror would not only be to continue all planned events for the Succot holiday, but also to hope that even more people visit the city than usual. The presence of more visitors would be the best answer to terrorism, he said.

Some 200,000 people are expected to visit the city during the Succot holiday, according to a city spokesman.

## GAZA VIOLENCE

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Mukhtar Street, and on the neighbouring al-Wahda Street. Eye-witnesses said troops used crowbars to force shutters open, while other stores were looted.

Unrest was also reported in towns and refugee camps south of Gaza. Youth in the Burein camp raised Palestinian flags and burned tires, and similar incidents were reported in Khan Yunis, where shops were closed in the central square. In Dir el-Balah protesters raised Palestinian flags and pictures of Yasser Arafat, and were dispersed by troops.

Meanwhile, lawyers for the family of one of the gunmen killed, Muhammad al-Jamal, said they had obtained a restraining order from the High Court preventing security forces from demolishing his Rafah home.

## HUSSEIN

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between East Bank Jordanians and West Bank Palestinians.

Some PLO officials have accused Jordan of expanding the number of West Bank representatives to extend its influence in the Palestinian territories and undercut PLO influence.

Hussein also repeated his support for Iraq in the seven-year-old Gulf war, and he sharply denounced the Islamic credentials of Iran's theocratic leadership.

## JACKSON

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trodden of all races.

"Just as we replaced racial violence with racial justice, we must replace economic violence with economic justice," he said in remarks prepared for delivery to a convention of the Rainbow Coalition.

Jackson, who in 1984 became the first black to make a serious bid for the presidential nomination of a major U.S. political party, is one of six Democrats now formally in the 1988 race.

American Zionism — indeed, world Zionism — is on the verge of profoundly critical decisions; decisions which will guide the future course of the movement, and therefore warrant serious *heshbon nefesh*. Several developments, some spectacular, other pedestrian, albeit pivotal, have jarred whatever equanimity there may have been in the Zionist body politic.

Two spectacular developments have been, first, the open and undeniably ravaging conflict within the Jewish Agency, and second, the surprising results of the elections to the World Zionist Congress.

In both, it is my judgment that the organized Zionist movement has suffered serious shocks. Unless it faces up to and comprehends the realities of Jewish life which precipitated these tremors, it will be subjected to further unanticipated quakes, with serious consequences. Let I appear hopelessly despairing, I further assert with full conviction that if a proper, honest and courageous self-analysis does occur, resulting in new avenues of activity, the Zionist movement will again come to life and regain a substantial measure of its halcyon strength.

Let me first, before proceeding to outline my argument, offer my basic thesis: Unless and until the Zionist movement demonstrates its ideological and programmatic muscle in the local Jewish communities on issues — even though not immediately affecting Israel — its ideological strength will wither away. If, conversely, the impact of the Zionist movement can be brought to bear on the local community in its singular *angst*, it will broaden its constituency and deepen its loyalty.

To put it differently, the average Jew, living in his own private and particular ambience of Jewish anxieties and hopes, discomfures and aspirations, needs to see the Zionist movement as a helpful, ideological instrument in the quest for his private and communal Jewish fulfillment.

WHAT HAS HAPPENED in recent decades?

To put it simply, the Zionist

# American Zionism must regain its local appeal

Joseph P. Sternstein

local Jewish thrust, as has happened in the case of the San Francisco Fund allocations.

IT IS HERE that the Zionist dilemma sharpens and should translate into the dictum: "If you can't beat them, join them." Zionists must become increasingly involved in local community affairs so that the Zionist ideological motif can exercise its influence on the inner structure.

Through activity on behalf of the Jew in his personal sphere, the Zionist becomes once again visible to the local Jewish activist.

The unexpected gains of Reform and Conservative delegates in the Zionist congress elections was clear evidence of the overwhelming concern, even of Zionists with an issue which affects their private and personal religious life. Riding roughshod over national, ideological and "traditional" Zionist issues, these newcomers matters for the American Jew elbowed their way to the fore, simply because of their prime importance.

One additional note about the responsibilities of the World Zionist leadership, whose functional executive operation resides in Jerusalem. Zionist officialdom must energetically and courageously work through and support the local Zionist bodies, thereby strengthening their organizational sinews. If those Israeli-based leaders continue to bypass the local Zionist structure by functioning through and thereby strengthening "non-Zionist" instruments, a heavy price will be paid. Sooner or later, the Zionist leadership will be confronted by other communal disputes and — having already weakened their natural allies

in the local communities again be defeated.

I WISH to suggest a shift in Zionist activity. Exclusively Israel-centred programmes, must be augmented by activity in local, communal affairs. Let me suggest a few of the areas that Zionists must energize in order to exercise effective influence and leadership in the local Jewish community.

First and foremost *aliya*. However meagre the numbers until now, even if many olim were not formally registered as Zionists, it is undeniable that the ideological climate motivating *aliya* was engendered by the Zionist movement. One may differ as to methods, but it is incontrovertible that only from Zionist platforms do we hear the unceasing drumbeat of *aliya*.

Therefore to Magshimim, to Israel, I say: "Enough! Stop denigrating Diaspora Zionists! You get a hearing from non-Zionists only because there are Zionists 'naggingly verbalizing an inner conscience'."

The primary emphasis on a consciousness for *aliya* affects the second area in which the Zionist movement must be rendered visible in the local community: Zionist Education in the local Jewish schools. Zionists must assume the responsibility for persuading local Jewish leaders — rabbis, educators, principals, board of education members — to include Zionist elements in the curricula of their respective educational institutions.

ABSOLUTELY Indispensable is the third area: public affairs.

I will offer but two examples. One, *neshima* and its political ramifications. While one may debate Shami's tactics in raising the issue in Washington prior to Jewish consultation, Zionists should at least open

to initiate discussion on the local level.

A second illustration is the area of Christian relations. Only of late have some Zionist groups, notably the Zionist Organization of America, involved themselves in the field. It is puzzling, to say the least, to find Zionists pushed out of the discussion altogether. Ironically, it is as if Jews themselves by this exclusion, are inadvertently conspiring with anti-Zionists in stigmatizing Zionists as *treife*.

These are but two examples in which, on the local level, the visible presence of Zionists in issues which concern the day-to-day life of the Jew can only enhance respect for the Jewish community.

The fourth issue, which touches upon the very essence of local Jewish communal life, is what I would term the democratization of the community. For obvious reasons, one trends on this ground in discussing this subject, but I would argue that the growth and strength of the local communal structure prompts the development of some sort of machinery, which would be more responsive to the views of *amcha*, the mass body politic of the Jewish community. The last elections to the World Zionist Congress, however one regards the results, were refreshing evidence of a fundamentally healthy and sound organizational sound-board.

At this time in Jewish history, the Zionist cannot maintain a visible stance that is completely and exclusively Israel-centred.

Zionists must act with courage and self-confidence; they must speak up and act as Zionists, their strengths based on two realities. One is that the development and crystallization of the local Jewish community structure represents a powerful, constructive and irresistible tide. The other is the self-assurance that there is a unique, distinct and salutary Zionist ideology which, if brought to bear energetically and responsibly, can strengthen and enhance Zionism as well as the Jewish community.

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## READERS' LETTERS

### SUCCESSFUL LIBEL SUIT

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — Your item report of September 13 on the verdict in my successful libel suit against *Ma'ariv* and Yehoshua Bizur omitted a number of essential points. Judge Ruth Or dismissed Bizur's charge that I "always" supported PLO positions; she noted that he brought "no proof" for his charge that I (or any other Israelis) play any role in "stirring up" Bir Zeit University students to demonstrate against the Israeli authorities.

Furthermore, the judge found "no justification" for Bizur labelling me "anti-Zionist"; on this point, she set a precedent by drawing a distinction between an anti-Zionist and "a person who was a Zionist [in the past] and believes that Zionism terminated its role with the establishment of the state, just as there is a distinction between a person who is non-

religious and one who is anti-religious." Further, the judge denied that it is "anti-Zionist" to contend, as I do, "that the Jews in the West have had 40 years to decide whether they wish to live in Israel, and that whoever has not hitherto decided in the affirmative, should be required to undergo naturalisation instead of receiving citizenship automatically." Finally, the judge affirmed that as a person "who was and remains in favour of the establishment of the State of Israel and its continued existence, took part in Israel's wars and lives in Israel," I cannot be "regarded as an anti-Zionist."

After alleging that persons like myself "who undermine Israel's very existence" are "most frequently quoted in PLO organs," Bizur failed to enlighten the court about the PLO publication to which he claimed to refer, whereupon the judge dismissed his charge with the simple but apt term: "untruth."

The verdict affirms that Bizur failed to prove the truth of his charges, nor did he "take reasonable measures" to verify them prior to their publication. In consequence, the offending article contained "a significant number" of libellous sections "based upon facts not proven to be true"; the defendants did not pursue "journalistic fairness," instead giving their readers "incorrect facts which were liable to harm Spir-o's reputation." As the judge pointed out, Bizur did not even testify in the case, nor did he claim to believe his charges to be true; in the judge's own words: "he must have known that his words were untrue."

GIDEON SPIRO

Jerusalem.

### MONA LISA

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post  
Sir, — According to *Postscripts* of September 23, Dr. Haruo Nakamura claims that Leonardo Da Vinci's Mona Lisa suffered from high cholesterol, angina pectoris or a myocardial infarction.

I remember that I once read an article in which doctor who made a hobby of diagnosing the diseases of persons long dead but immortalised by famous painters, claimed that Mona Lisa's famous smile was the smile of a very happy pregnant woman.

I confess that I prefer the latter version. I hope for all of us that doctors diagnose the diseases of the living with more agreement than those of the long dead. Meanwhile, let us enjoy beautiful paintings.

HANS ULLMANN

Na'an.

### BNEI ISRAEL

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post  
a2 Sir, — The Bnei Israel of India, who are now settled in Israel, are by nature a self-effacing community. Their traditional upbringing has been to work hard, educate their children and provide for their families without creating anyipples in public life.

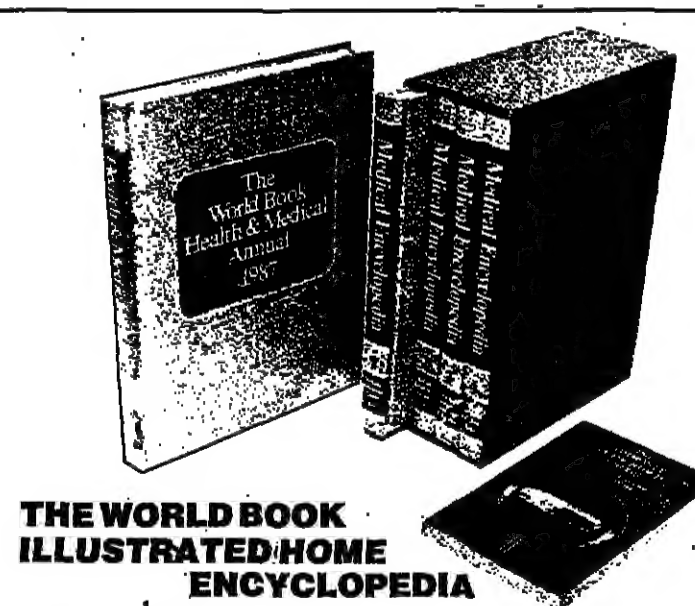
Therefore, the recent TV projection of this gentle community at prayers in their beautiful synagogue in Kiryat Gat was a welcome departure. The programme was beautifully presented and Israel TV deserves to be congratulated.

Let us have more such programmes in future, but at a reasonable hour when more viewers can enjoy them.

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